

# TROJAN FOOTBALL

11 National Championships  
34 Bowl Victories  
170 All-Americans  
6 Heisman Trophy Winners



525 NFL Players  
84 NFL 1st Round Draftees  
5 No. 1 Overall NFL Draft Picks  
22 Academic All-Americans

## 2022 SCHEDULE (1-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
Sept. 3	Rice	W, 66-14
Sept. 10	at Stanford	4:30 p.m. (ABC)
Sept. 17	Fresno State	7:30 p.m. (FOX)
Sept. 24	at Oregon State	TBA
Oct. 1	Arizona State	TBA
Oct. 8	Washington State	TBA
Oct. 15	at Utah	TBA
Oct. 22	BYE DATE	--
Oct. 29	at Arizona	TBA
Nov. 5	California	TBA
Nov. 11	Colorado	6:30 p.m. (FS1)
Nov. 19	at UCLA	TBA
Nov. 26	Notre Dame	TBA

Release Date: Sept. 5, 2022



**GAME 2**  
**No. 14 USC**  
**(1-0 overall, 0-0 Pac-12 Conference)**  
**vs.**  
**Stanford**  
**(1-0 overall, 0-0 Pac-12 Conference)**



**Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022, 4:30 p.m. PT, ABC**  
**Stanford Stadium, Palo Alto, Calif.**



## TROJANS ON THE AIR

**Live national TV:** 4:30 p.m. (PT), ABC, Kirk Herbstreit, Rece Davis and Holly Rowe.  
**Trojan Tailgate Show:** 2:30 p.m. (PT), Shaun Cody, Cody Kessler, Su'a Cravens and Jordan Moore. Live on USC Athletics' Facebook, YouTube and Twitter and the USC Trojans App.

**Live local radio:** 2:30 p.m. (PT), AM 790 KABC Radio, Pete Arbogast, Shaun Cody, Cody Kessler, Su'a Cravens, Jordan Moore, Jason Schwartz (includes 2-hour pre- and post-game shows). The game also can be heard on the Trojan Radio Network--KSHP 1400AM in Las Vegas, KSZL 1230AM in Barstow, KXPS 1010AM in Palm Springs and KGU 95.1FM and 760AM in Honolulu--as well as on USCTrojans.com and KABC.com and on SiriusXM satellite radio (channels 137/197 or 959 on the app).

**Trojans Live:** 7-8 p.m. (PT), Mondays, AM 790 KABC Radio, Jordan Moore, Shaun Cody, Max Browne and Keely Eure. Also live streamed on Twitter.

## TICKETS

Tickets for USC home football games are on sale online at USCTrojans.com/tickets or by calling (213) 740-GOSC (4672). To reserve a spot in a Coliseum Field Suite or in the Field Club, contact the USC Premium Department at premium@usc.edu.

## THEMES

- No. 14 USC will play the first Pac-12 game of 2022 when it travels to challenge long-time foe Stanford in Palo Alto, Calif. It's a nationally-televised primetime matchup on ABC.
- Stanford is USC's oldest rival, dating back to 1905. The Trojans have won 5 of the last 10 games against the Cardinal dating back to 2013 (the two teams did not meet in 2020 for the first time since 1945).
- USC has won just 1 of its last 5 meetings on the road at Stanford, dating back to 2010.

## RICE GAME RECAP

- USC ushered in a new era of USC Football under head coach **Lincoln Riley** with a 66-14 victory over Rice in Coach Riley's debut game in the Coliseum.
- Early Heisman contender **QB Caleb Williams** completed his first 5 passes and finished the day 19-for-22 for 249 yards and 2 TDs. His 86.3 completion percentage was the best by a Trojan quarterback with a minimum of 20 attempts since Matt Barkley had a 95.0 completion percentage vs. Colorado on Oct. 20, 2012. Williams also led USC in rushing with 68 yards on six carries.

•After much anticipation of seeing transfer **WR Jordan Addison** in cardinal and gold in the Coliseum, he had a team-leading 5 catches for 54 yards and 2 TDs (of 3 and 5 yards) in his Trojan debut. Returning **WR Tahj Washington** led USC with 65 receiving yards on 4 catches. In the run game, **RB Austin Jones** led USC with 2 rushing touchdowns in his Trojan debut. Jones now has 14 career rushing touchdowns. He had 4 carries for 48 yards, scoring on runs of 4 and 28 yards. True freshman **RB Raleek Brown** had a 14-yard TD run in the second quarter for the first score of his career. He finished the game with 6 carries for 36 yards and a touchdown. He also caught 2 passes for 40 yards.

•The offensive line led by **C Brett Neilon** allowed just one sack by the Owls and opened holes for the running game.

•On the defensive side of the ball, **DB Calen Bullock** returned an interception 93 yards for a TD in the second quarter. It was his third career interception and first returned for a TD. It was the first pick-six by a Trojan since Greg Johnson (37-yards) versus San Jose State in the 2021 opener on Sept. 4. His interception return for a TD was the longest by a Trojan since Cleveland Colter returned an interception 94 yards at California on Sept. 26, 1987. **ILB Shane Lee** also returned an interception 40 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter. It was his second career interception and first returned for a score. Lee led USC with 8 tackles. **ILB Ralen Goforth** also returned an interception 31 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter. It was his first career interception.

•USC's three interceptions returned for a touchdown against Rice ties the school single game record of three, which was also accomplished on Nov. 11, 1982 at Arizona. In the game at Arizona, one of the TDs was an intercepted fumble returned for a score which was categorized as an interception at that time (in 1982, you could not return a fumble unless it was in the air). USC's 3 interceptions returned for a touchdown also ties the Pac-12 record.

•**DB Xamarion Gordon** also had an interception to give the Trojans 4 interceptions total. The last time USC had 4 interceptions in a game was on Sept 23, 2017 vs. California.

•**PK Denis Lynch** saw his first game action for USC and went 9-for-9 in extra-point attempts and made a 25-yard field goal. Lynch came one extra point away from tying the USC record of 10-for-10 in extra points, set by Mario Danelo in 2005 vs. Arkansas.

•As Coach Riley has stated "This is the most unique roster in the history of USC Football", and 9 of the 22 starters were transfers.

## STANFORD SCOUTING REPORT

•Head coach **David Shaw** (whose uncle was a USC All-American) saw his Stanford team defeat Colgate 41-10 in its season opener in Palo Alto, Calif. on Sept. 3. **QB Tanner McKee** (2021 Pac-12 Honorable Mention) was 22 of 27 for 308 yards passing with 2 TDs. Last season, McKee was 206-of-315 (65.4%) passing for 2,327 yards and 15 touchdowns. He played in 10 games with 9 starts. In his first career start last season at USC on Sept. 11, 2021, he became the first Pac-12 QB since Tavita Pritchard in 2007 to defeat a ranked opponent on the road in his first career start. His 19 total touchdowns (15 passing, 4 rushing) are the most



## PAC-12 STANDINGS

	PAC-12		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
ARIZ	1	0	0	0
ASU	1	0	0	0
CAL	1	0	0	0
OSU	1	0	0	0
STAN	1	0	0	0
UCLA	1	0	0	0
<b>USC</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
WASH	1	0	0	0
WSU	1	0	0	0
COLO	0	1	0	0
ORE	0	1	0	0
UTAH	0	1	0	0

### AP POLL

- Alabama
- Ohio State
- Georgia
- Clemson
- Notre Dame
- Texas A&M
- Utah
- Michigan
- Oklahoma
- Baylor
- Oregon
- Oklahoma State
- NC State
- USC**
- Michigan State
- Miami (Fla.)
- Pittsburgh
- Wisconsin
- Arkansas
- Kentucky
- Mississippi
- Wake Forest
- Cincinnati
- Houston
- BYU

### COACHES POLL

- Alabama
- Ohio State
- Georgia
- Clemson
- Notre Dame
- Michigan
- Texas A&M
- Utah
- Oklahoma
- Baylor
- Oklahoma State
- Oregon
- NC State
- Michigan State
- USC**
- Pittsburgh
- Miami (Fla.)
- Texas
- Wake Forest
- Wisconsin
- Kentucky
- Cincinnati
- Arkansas
- Mississippi
- Houston

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by a Stanford freshman (true or redshirt) in school history. Andrew Luck (2009) and Steve Stenstrom (1991) both had 15.

•Stanford's top four wide receivers, **Elijah Higgins** (2021 PFF Pac-12 Honorable Mention), **John Humphreys**, **Brycen Tremayne** and **Michael Wilson**, plus tight end **Benjamin Yurosek** (2021 PFF Pac-12 First Team) all return. Those five combined for 147 catches for 1,870 yards and 13 touchdowns in 2021. Against Colgate, **Humphreys** had 88 yards receiving for Stanford, which was highlighted by a 53-yard grab down the Cardinal sideline. **Wilson** contributed with five catches for 82 yards.

•**RB E.J. Smith**, the son of former Dallas Cowboys star Emmitt Smith, returns to the Cardinal backfield. Against Colgate, he had career bests with 118 yards rushing and five catches while running for two touchdowns on 11 carries to help the Cardinal snap a seven-game losing streak that dated back to last season.

•Stanford's offensive line returns all five starters.

•On the defensive side of the ball, the Cardinal made a scheme change in the offseason. They move from a 3-4 defense to a four-man front for the 2022 season. Against Colgate, **ILB Levani Damuni** led the team with 10 tackles, while **ILB Tristan Sinclair**, **ILB Jacob Mangum-Farrar**, **S Kendall Williamson** and **ILB Ricky Miezian** each recorded 5 tackles.

•In the Cardinal secondary, **CB Kyu Blu Kelly**, who led the Pac-12 with 13 passes defended a season ago (11 pass breakups, 2 interceptions), returns poised to make an impact.

•Against Colgate, Stanford committed 4 turnovers, including a McKee interception and had 3 fumbles on punt returns.

•During the game on Saturday (Sept. 10), Stanford will recognize its Hall of Fame Class, as well as Andrew Luck for his induction into the College Football Hall of Fame Class of 2022.

### RANKINGS

•USC is ranked No. 14 in the pre-season AP sports media poll and 15th in the USA Today coaches poll. Stanford is not ranked. New rankings come out on Sept. 6.

### SERIES

•Stanford is USC's oldest rival, with the series dating back to 1905.

•USC holds a 63-34-3 lead over Stanford (Troy's 2005 victory was vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 64-33-3). USC has just 6 wins in the past 16 meetings. In its last 45 contests with the Cardinal, USC has gone 30-15-1 (and Troy is 45-18-1 in the past 64 games).

•USC's record in games in Palo Alto is 34-12-2. USC has lost there just 7 times since 1972 (and only 8 times since 1956), but is 7-7 in the last 14 trips. Troy has dropped 4 of its last 5 games in Palo Alto, including 3-17 in 2018 in its most recent trip there.

### VERSUS PAC-12 CONFERENCE

•USC has won 69.6% (482-202-29) of its games against current Pac-12 opponents (does not include 9 wins later vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 491-202-29, 70.0%).

### PAC-12 OPENERS

•In conference openers, USC is 70-24-5 (.732) and Troy has won 32 of its last 51 (and 45 of its last 65). In conference openers on the road, the Trojans are 28-14-2 (.659), having won 23 of their last 36. (does not include 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original records: 71-24-5, .735 overall, 33 of 51, 46 of 65; and 29-14-2, .668 on the road, 24 of 36.)

### IN SEPTEMBER

•USC has a 189-55-8 (.766) all-time record while playing in the month of September (does not include 3 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 192-55-8, .769).

### USC-STANFORD CONNECTIONS

•USC has 6 players who previously attended a Bay Area high school: **DL De'jon Benton** (Pittsburg HS), **DB Mekhi Blackmon** (Menlo-Atherton HS), **OL Andres Dewerk** (Los Gatos HS), **RB Austin Jones** (Bishop O'Dowd HS) and **WR Danny Ryan** (St. Ignatius HS), **Devan Thompkins** (Edison HS).

•**RB Austin Jones** played his first three years of college football at Stanford (2019-21).

•**ILB Clyde Moore's** uncle, Rob, was a fullback at Stanford (1980-83) who then attended USC for his JD and MBA. His grandfather, Robin, was the NCAA 50-yard freestyle swimming champion in 1956 for Stanford (he once set a world record).

•Graduate assistant **Peyton Pelluer's** uncle, Arnie, was a linebacker at Stanford (1985-89).

•USC swimming associate head coach **Lea Maurer** was the Stanford women's head coach (2006-12) and also swam for the Cardinal (1992-94).

•Stanford head coach **David Shaw** is the nephew of former USC All-American cornerback (1964-66) and assistant coach (1980-86) Nate Shaw.

•Stanford tight ends coach **Morgan Turner** is related to former USC assistant coaches Ron Turner (1985-87), his father, and Norv Turner (1976-84), his uncle.

•Stanford **OLB Lance Keneley** is the son of former USC defensive lineman Matt Keneley (1993-96), who was a 2-time Academic All-American, and Women of Troy volleyball player Antoinette Lindemann (Thomas), and the nephew of former USC football players Todd Keneley (1999) and Clay Hattabaugh (1991-95).

•Stanford **OL Jaxson Moi's** father Junior Moi was a OLB-DE at USC (1991-92).

•Stanford women's beach volleyball coach **Andrew Fuller** was an assistant at USC for 3 seasons (2013-15) and Cardinal volunteer assistant **Lauren Fendrick** attended law school at USC.



## USC VS. STANFORD (63\*-34-3)

1905	L	0-16	A	1973	W	27-26	H
1918	W	25-8	N1	1974	W	34-10	A
1919	W	13-0	H	1975	L	10-13	H
1920	W	10-0	H	1976	W	48-24	A
1922	W	6-0	A	1977	W	49-0	H
1923	W	14-7	A	1978	W	13-7	H
1925	L	9-13	H	1979	T	21-21	H
1926	L	12-13	H	1980	W	34-9	A
1927	T	13-13	A	1981	W	25-17	H
1928	W	10-0	H	1982	W	41-21	A
1929	W	7-0	A	1983	W	30-7	H
1930	W	41-12	A	1984	W	20-11	A
1931	W	19-0	H	1985	W	30-6	H
1932	W	13-0	A	1986	W	10-0	A
1933	L	7-13	H	1987	W	39-24	H
1934	L	0-16	A	1988	W	24-20	A
1935	L	0-3	H	1989	W	19-0	H
1936	W	14-7	A	1990	W	37-22	A
1937	L	6-7	H	1991	L	21-24	H
1938	W	13-2	A	1992	L	9-23	A
1939	W	33-0	H	1993	W	45-20	H
1940	L	7-21	A	1994	W	27-20	A
1941	L	0-13	H	1995	W	31-30	H
1942	L	6-14	N2	1996	L	20-24	A
1946	W	28-20	A	1997	W	45-21	H
1947	W	14-0	H	1998	W	34-9	A
1948	W	7-6	A	1999	L	31-35	H
1949	L	13-34	H	2000	L	30-32	A
1950	T	7-7	A	2001	L	16-21	H
1951	L	20-27	H	2002	W	49-17	A
1952	W	54-7	A	2003	W	44-21	H
1953	W	23-20	H	2004	W	31-28	A
1954	W	21-7	A	2005*W	51-21	H	
1955	L	20-28	H	2006	W	42-0	A
1956	L	19-27	A	2007	L	23-24	H
1957	L	7-35	H	2008	W	45-23	A
1958	W	29-6	A	2009	L	21-55	H
1959	W	30-28	H	2010	L	35-37	A
1960	W	21-10	A	2011	L	48-56 (30T)	H
1961	W	30-15	H	2012	L	14-21	A
1962	W	39-14	A	2013	W	20-17	H
1963	W	25-11	H	2014	W	13-10	A
1964	W	15-10	A	2015	L	31-41	H
1965	W	14-0	H	2015^	L	22-41	N3
1966	W	21-7	A	2016	L	10-27	A
1967	W	30-0	H	2017	W	42-24	H
1968	W	27-24	A	2017^	W	31-28	N3
1969	W	26-24	H	2018	L	3-17	H
1970	L	14-24	A	2019	W	45-20	H
1971	L	18-33	H	2021	L	28-42	H
1972	W	30-21	A				

N1-Tournament Park, Pasadena, California  
 N2-Kezar Stadium, San Francisco, California  
 N3-Levi's Stadium, Santa Clara, California  
 ^-Pac-12 Championship Game  
 \*Not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty (original record: 64-33-3)

### SERIES RECORD CONFUSION?

Both USC and Stanford list their football series record as 63-33-3 in the Trojans' favor, but both come about it differently. The Cardinal do not count USC's 25-8 win in 1918, because Stanford claims that a team composed of Student Army Training Corps players, not the Stanford varsity squad, played the Trojans that year. USC counts that 1918 win, but not its 51-21 win in 2005 that was vacated by NCAA penalty (Stanford's 2005 loss was not vacated, just USC's win).

## 2022 SCHEDULE

•The Trojans will play seven home games in the Coliseum in Riley's debut season. USC will face 9 Pac-12 opponents and 3 non-conference foes.

•USC opened its 2022 slate in the Coliseum on Sept. 3 of Labor Day weekend against **Rice** of Conference USA. It was the teams' fourth-ever meeting, but first since 1971 (and first in the Coliseum since 1948). The Trojans start Pac-12 play this week at **Stanford** on Sept. 10. It will be the Pac-12's first league game of the 2022 campaign. USC then returns to the Coliseum on Sept. 17 to host the Mountain West's **Fresno State** (with new head coach Jeff Tedford). It will be the teams' fourth meeting in the past 10 years. Troy next begins an eight-game run against Pac-12 squads, first visiting **Oregon State** on Sept. 24 and then returning to the Coliseum for a two-game homestand versus **Arizona State** on Oct. 1 and **Washington State** (with new coach Jake Dickert) on Oct. 8. USC visits defending Pac-12 champion **Utah** on Oct. 15, then has a bye week before going to **Arizona** on Oct. 29. November play begins with a home game against **California** on Nov. 5, followed by a Friday home contest against **Colorado** on Nov. 11 (USC's first Friday home game since 2019). The Trojans conclude the 2022 regular season against their traditional rivals, first visiting crosstown opponent **UCLA** on Nov. 19 and then hosting intersectional foe **Notre Dame** (led by new head coach Marcus Freeman) on Nov. 26 of Thanksgiving weekend. It will be the first time since 2018 that USC ends its regular season against the Bruins and then the Fighting Irish, in that order. Notre Dame, California and Colorado haven't played in the Coliseum since 2018, while Troy hasn't played at Stanford and Oregon State since 2018.

## LAST YEAR

•Riley and his staff are focused on rebuilding a program that went 4-8 (3-6 in Pac-12 Conference play) in the 2021 season, USC's fewest victories since 1991.

## PLAYER DEPARTURES

•The Trojan offense will be feeling the loss of All-American first team wide receiver **Drake London**, an NFL first round pick. Also named the 2021 Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Year and an All-Pac-12 first teamer, London was a semifinalist for the 2021 Biletnikoff Award and Maxwell Award. Before suffering a broken ankle on a tackle while catching a touchdown late in the first half of Game 8 last year, London had 88 receptions for 1,084 yards with 7 TDs in just 7.5 games. He had 5 games in 2021 with 10 or more catches and 6 with at least 130 receiving yards. He and Texas Tech's Michael Crabtree in 2007 are the only Power 5 players with 88 catches through 8 games. He is the only Trojan to twice have 15 or more catches in a game and the first Trojan with 5 consecutive 100-yard receiving outings since Marqise Lee in 2012 (London has 9 total in his career). The offense also lost tailback **Keaontay Ingram**, who transferred to USC in the spring of 2021 and was All-Pac-12 honorable mention last fall. Ingram ran for a team-high 911 yards on 156 carries (5.8 avg) with 5 TDs and caught 22 passes for 156 yards in 2021. Another departed tailback, **Vavae Malepeai**, ran for 2,005 yards (21st on USC's all-time rushing ladder) in his career. In 2021, he rushed for 502 yards (second on USC) on 114 carries (4.4 avg) with a team-best 6 rushing TDs. Tight end **Erik Krommenhoek**, who recorded 39 catches for 335 yards (8.6 avg) with 3 TDs in his career while playing in 57 games with 22 starts, is gone, as is **Liam Jimmons** who started all 12 games at right offensive guard in 2021. Also gone are quarterbacks **Kedon Slovis** (652-of-953 passes [68.4%] for 7,576 yards with 58 TDs and 24 interceptions in his career) and **Jaxson Dart** (117-of-189 passes [61.9%] for 1,353 yards with 9 TDs and 5 interceptions in 2021), offensive lineman **Jalen McKenzie** (42 games in his career, with 19 starts) and tight end **Michael Trigg** (7 receptions for 109 yards [15.6 avg.] and 1 TD in 2021).

•Defensively, the Trojans lose **Drake Jackson**, a three-year starter at outside linebacker. A 2021 All-Pac-12 second team selection, Jackson had 103 tackles, including 25 for losses (with 12.5 sacks), plus 4 deflections, 2 interceptions, 1 fumble recovery and 1 forced fumble in his career. He appeared in 28 career games, with 26 starts. Two-time team captain and three-year starting safety **Isaiah Pola-Mao**, who had 178 tackles, including 9 for losses of 41 yards (with 1.5 sacks for minus 13 yards), 5 interceptions, 8 deflections, 4 fumble recoveries and 1 forced fumble in his career, is gone. He appeared in 32 games with 29 starts. Fellow three-year starter **Chris Steele**, a 2021 All-Pac-12 honorable mention cornerback who had 95 tackles (3 for a loss, with a sack), 12 deflections, a fumble recovery, a forced fumble and 3 interceptions in his career while appearing in 29 games and starting 23 times, has departed. So has fellow cornerback **Isaac Taylor-Stuart**, who collected 80 tackles, including 1 for a 1-yard loss, plus 2 interceptions and 7 deflections in his career while appearing in 32 games, with 19 starts. Also gone are inside linebacker **Kana'i Mauga** (206 career tackles, including 16.5 for losses of 49 yards [with 5 sacks for minus 32 yards], 6 deflections, 2 forced fumbles, 3 interceptions), nickelback **Greg Johnson** (98 career tackles, including 6.5 for a loss of 39 yards [with a sack for minus 14 yards], 9 deflections, 3 interceptions with a TD, 2 fumble recoveries and 2 forced fumbles), safety **Chase Williams** (85 tackles, including 4.5 for losses of 10 yards [with a sack for minus 2 yards], 1 fumble recovery, 1 deflection and 1 quarterback hurry in his career while appearing in 32 games, with 15 starts) and outside linebacker **Hunter Echols** (50 career tackles, including 3.5 for a loss of 14 yards, 3 deflections, 1 fumble recovery).

•On special teams, USC loses Australian punter **Ben Griffiths**, who averaged 43.5 yards on 114 punts in his career, with 48 punts pinning opponents within the 20-yard line, 26 traveling at least 50 yards and only 10 touchbacks. Two-year starting placekicker **Parker Lewis**, who had 26 field goals (including 17 last year, 2 shy of the USC season record) and 35 PATs in his career, transferred. The Trojans also lose one of the nation's premier long snappers, **Damon Johnson**, who snapped five years for USC and was a two-time finalist for the Patrick Mannelly Award.

## TROJAN COACHING STAFF

•Lincoln Riley brought together some of the top assistant coaches from across the nation to lead the Trojan football program.

•"I truly believe we have put together an elite group of coaches that will help build this football program back to national prominence," said Riley. "They have each been a part of winning programs and have a championship mindset. This staff understands that championship teams have a foundation of culture, and they know what that looks like and how to implement it. They recognize the tradition and expectations of this program and are eager to get to work."



## THE LAST MEETING: 2021 USC VS. STANFORD

GAME 2 – September 1, Los Angeles Coliseum

Stanford 42, USC 28

Att: 56,945

Stanford	7	14	14	7	--	42
USC	0	10	3	15	--	28

Stanford scored 3 unanswered second half touchdowns to break open a close game and send the Cardinal to a decisive 42-28 upset victory over No. 14 USC under the lights in the Coliseum in front of 56,945 fans and a FOX audience in the Pac-12's first game of 2021.

After USC pulled within 21-13 on its opening possession of the second half with a 33-yard field goal by **PK Alex Stadthaus**, Stanford CB Kyu Blu Kelly (whose father, Brian, was a cornerback at USC) returned an interception on USC's next drive for a 31-yard touchdown. The Cardinal then had short touchdown runs on its next two series, a 1-yarder by QB Tanner McKee and a 2-yarder by QB Isaiah Sanders to build a 42-13 edge.

The Trojans managed a pair of scores in the game's final 6 minutes when **QB Kedon Slovis** hit **WR Drake London** on an 11-yard throw and **TB Darwin Barlow** ran it in from 4 yards out, but USC could not recover a pair of onside kicks.

Stanford opened the game's scoring when RB Nathaniel Peat stunned the Trojans with an 87-yard TD run early in the first quarter. USC tied it early in the second quarter on **TB Keontay Ingram's** 2-yard TD run. But the Cardinal countered on its next series with McKee's 3-yard TD fourth down toss to WR Elijah Higgins, after Stanford had kicked a short field goal on the previous play but then chose to accept a USC offside penalty that moved the ball closer to the goal line. USC responded with a 24-yard field goal with under 2 minutes in the half by **Stadthaus**, who was handling the first placement kicking of his career after starting **PK Parker Lewis** was ejected for targeting on the game's opening kickoff. But Stanford put together a quick drive to end the half as McKee found WR Brycen Tremayne on a 6-yard TD pass with 9 seconds to go.

Stanford prevailed despite running just 53 plays (the fewest against USC since UCLA's 51 in 2016) to the Trojans' 75. The Cardinal had 375 total yards and only 18 first downs to USC's 408 total yards and 24 first downs. But Troy was hampered by 9 penalties for 111 yards, the turnover that was converted into points, going 6-of-14 on third downs and having to settle for a pair of field goals when in the red zone. Stanford had no turnovers and just 5 penalties.

**TB Vavae Malepeai** had a team-best 94 yards on 15 carries, **Slovis** was 24-of-42 for 223 yards and **WR Tahj Washington** had a game-high 6 catches for 37 yards. **DT Tuli Tuipulotu** topped USC with 7 tackles, while **S Greg Johnson** had 2 stops for losses.

For Stanford, Peat ran for 115 yards on 6 tries, McKee (making his first career start) was 16-of-23 for 234 yards and Higgins caught 5 passes for 67 yards. It was Joint Forces Day at the Coliseum and there was a pre-game recognition of the 20th anniversary of 9/11, including the playing of "Taps" and a 20-second moment of silence.

Two days after the game, Trojan head coach **Clay Helton** was relieved of his duties.

### SCORING

#### First Quarter

STAN -- Peat 87-yard run (Karty kick)

#### Second Quarter

USC -- Ingram 2-yard run (Stadthaus kick)

STAN -- Higgins 3-yard pass from McKee (Karty kick)

USC -- Stadthaus 24-yard field goal

STAN -- Tremayne 6-yard pass from McKee (Karty kick)

#### Third Quarter

USC -- Stadthaus 33-yard field goal

STAN -- Kelly 31-yard interception return (Karty kick)

STAN -- McKee 1-yard run (Karty kick)

#### Fourth Quarter

STAN -- Sanders 2-yard run (Karty kick)

USC -- London 11-yard pass from Slovis (Stadthaus kick)

USC -- Barlow 4-yard run (Bryant pass from Slovis)

USC	STATISTICS	STANFORD
24	First Downs	18
185	Net Yards Rushing	141
223	Net Yards Passing	234
42	Passes Attempted	23
27	Passes Completed	16
1	Had Intercepted	0
75	Total Plays	53
408	Total Yards	375
4/48.5	Punts/Avg	3/46.7
1/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
9/111	Penalties/Yards	5/27
32:02	Time of Possession	27:58

### TOP INDIVIDUALS

•RUSHING – Peat (STAN) 6-115; Malepeai (USC) 15-94; Ingram (USC) 10-44; Slovis (USC) 5-25; Barlow (USC) 3-22; Jones (STAN) 10-13.

•PASSING – Slovis (USC) 27-42-223; McKee (STAN) 16-23-234.

•RECEIVING – Washington (USC) 6-47; Higgins (STAN) 5-67; London (USC) 4-68; Bryant (USC) 4-11; Tremayne (STAN) 3-49; Humphreys (STAN) 3-40; K. Ford (USC) 3-35; Ingram (USC) 3-15; Jones (STAN) 2-54; Manjack (USC) 2-14; Smith (STAN) 2-14.

•On the offensive side of the ball, **Josh Henson**, most recently at Texas A&M, has 23 years of coaching experience primarily in the SEC and Big 12 and has been part of a national championship staff; he joins the program as the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach. Joining Riley from Oklahoma is **Dennis Simmons**, who holds an assistant head coach title; he will coach the outside wide receivers and serve as the offensive passing game coordinator. He has coached some of college football's elite receivers. Coming off a Rose Bowl appearance, **Kiel McDonald** joins the Trojan staff from Utah. He has tutored some of the Pac-12's top running backs in recent years and will continue to coach running backs at Troy. **Zach Hanson**, regarded as one of the game's top young coaches, joins USC as the tight ends coach after most recently coaching at Tulsa. **Luke Huard**, who originally joined the staff as an offensive analyst, will serve as the inside wide receivers coach after the passing of Dave Nichol last spring.

•On the defensive side of the ball, Riley brought **Alex Grinch** from Oklahoma to serve as USC's defensive coordinator. Grinch, who is regarded as one of the nation's top defensive coordinators and secondary coaches, will also coach the safeties. **Brian Odom** also arrives from Oklahoma and will coach the inside linebackers while also serving as associate head coach for defense. **Shaun Nua**, a former NFL Super Bowl-winning defensive end who has coaching experience in the Pac-12 and Big Ten, will lead the defensive line. **Roy Manning**, a former Big Ten and NFL linebacker who has coached in three Power 5 conferences, joined the USC staff as the outside linebackers coach, nickels coach and assistant head coach for defense. Finally, **Donte Williams**, one of the nation's top recruiters, returns to the Trojan coaching staff. After previously serving as USC's interim head coach in 2021, Williams will lead the defensive backs and be the defensive passing game coordinator.

•Riley also brought in **Bennie Wylie** from Oklahoma as the director of football sports performance.

### OFFENSIVE OVERVIEW

•Troy's offense returns just 5 starters from 2021: wide receivers **Gary Bryant Jr.** and **Tahj Washington** and offensive linemen **Brett Neilon**, **Andrew Vorhees** and **Courtland Ford**. Others returning with starting experience are offensive linemen **Jonah Monheim** and **Justin Dedich**, tight ends **Jude Wolf**, **Malcolm Epps** and **Lake McRee**, running back **Darwin Barlow** and wide receiver **Michael Jackson III**.

•USC's offense averaged 443.9 total yards in 2021 (23rd in the nation), including 298.3 passing to rank 17th nationally. The Trojans scored 28.7 points per outing and ranked in the national Top 20 in third down conversions (.453) and red zone offense (.902). Ten players who caught a pass are back from last season.

### QUARTERBACKS

•Both of 2021's starting Trojan quarterbacks—Kedon Slovis and Jaxson Dart—have transferred. Slovis completed a school record 68.4% of his passes in his career for 7,576 yards and 58 TDs. He had a school record 5 career 400-yard passing games. He ranks sixth on USC's all-time passing list (652 completions) and is eighth on the career total offense chart (7,426 yards). He started USC's first 9 games last fall before getting hurt (2,153 yards with 11 TDs in 2021). He was replaced by Dart, who hit 61.9% of his throws for 1,353 yards with 9 TDs as a first-year freshman.

•The addition of sophomore transfer quarterback **Caleb Williams** from Oklahoma in the spring of 2022 rocked the college football landscape. Williams emerged as the Sooners' starting quarterback by mid-season in 2021 and proved to be one of the nation's premier freshmen. Named a 2021 True Freshman All-American, he appeared in 11 games and started the last 7 contests. He completed 136-of-211 passes (64.5%) for 1,912 yards and 21 TDs with 4 interceptions and he ran for 442 yards on 79 carries (5.6 avg) with 6 TDs. His passing yards and touchdowns were the most ever by an OU true freshman. He had 200-plus passing yards 5 times, 3-plus passing TDs 4 times and 2-plus passing TDs 6 times. He also was a 2021 semifinalist for the Walter Camp Player of the Year, Davey O'Brien National Quarterback and FWAA's Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year awards. He made 2021 AP All-Big 12 second team. In his career, he has completed 155-of-233 (66.5%) for 2,161 yards and 23 TDs with 4 interceptions and he's run for 510 yards on 85 carries (6.0 avg) with 6 TDs. He currently ranks No. 4 in the nation in completion percentage (.864), No. 7 nationally in passing efficiency (211.44) and No. 11 nationally in yards per pass attempt (11.32 avg).

•The only quarterback on the 2022 USC roster to have seen action in 2021 in a Trojan uniform is redshirt freshman **Miller Moss**. He played briefly in 2 games last fall, going 8-for-13 (61.5%) for 74 yards and 1 TD.

•In addition to Moss, there are two returning quarterbacks back who have yet to see the field at USC. After missing the 2021 season due to torn knee ligaments, redshirt senior **Mo Hasan** was ready to compete again but tore his Achilles tendon during winter workouts and was sidelined for 2022 spring practices. He did not see action in 2020 at USC, sidelined most of that season with a leg injury. Hasan was named a member of the 21-player 2021 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team for his commitment to community service and was a semifinalist for the Wuerrfel Trophy. Walk-on redshirt sophomore **Isaac Ward** has yet to play at USC.

## WATCH LISTS

WR <b>Jordan Addison</b>	Biletnikoff Award (top receiver) Maxwell Award (top player)
RB <b>Travis Dye</b>	Doak Walker Award (top running back)
TE <b>Malcolm Epps</b>	Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas player)
DL <b>Nick Figueroa</b>	Lott IMPACT Trophy (defensive impact player)
DL <b>Courtland Ford</b>	Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas player)
RB <b>Austin Jones</b>	Doak Walker Award (top running back)
DL <b>Brett Neilon</b>	Rimington Trophy (top center)
DL <b>Brandon Pili</b>	Polynesian College Player of the Year Award
WR <b>Brenden Rice</b>	Paul Hornung Award (most versatile player)
DL <b>Stanley Ta'ufu'ou</b>	Polynesian College Player of the Year Award
DL <b>Tuli Tuipulotu</b>	Bednarik Award (top defensive player) Rotary Lombardi Award (top lineman) Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player) Outland Trophy (top interior lineman) Polynesian College Player of the Year Award
DL <b>Andrew Vorhees</b>	Outland Trophy (top interior lineman) Rotary Lombardi Award (top lineman)
QB <b>Caleb Williams</b>	Davey O'Brien Award (top quarterback) Maxwell Award (top player) Good Works Team (top community service) Wuerffel Trophy (top community service)

## PRE-SEASON HONORS

WR **Jordan Addison** (Athlon Sports, Walter Camp, Phil Steele, Sporting News, Sports Illustrated, The Athletic) and DL **Andrew Vorhees** (AP, Athlon Sports, Walter Camp, Sporting News, Action Network) were named 2022 pre-season All-American first teamers. QB **Caleb Williams** was a pre-season All-American first team selection (Sports Illustrated), a second team pick (Walter Camp) as well as a third team pick (Athlon Sports and Phil Steele). DL **Tuli Tuipulotu** earned both All-American third team (Phil Steele) and fourth team (Athlon Sports) honors, while RB **Travis Dye** was named a pre-season All-American third teamer (Athlon Sports). Addison, Vorhees, Williams, Tuipulotu, Dye, DL **Brett Neilon** and WR **Mario Williams** were selected to various pre-season All-Pac-12 first teams.

## PRE-SEASON RANKINGS

The 2022 Trojans are picked to finish in the Top 25 nationally and in the Top 3 in the Pac-12 standings, according to many pre-season prognosticators. Here are the picks, to date:

	National
Pro Football Network	8th
Sports Illustrated	9th
Athlon	9th
College Sports Madness	11th
CBSsports.com	12th
Sporting News	14th
AP	14th
USA Today Coaches Poll	15th
Phil Steele	16th
CollegeFootballNews.com	16th
Lindy's	22nd
Pac-12 Media	3rd in the Pac-12

•Three new quarterbacks joined Riley's room this fall. **Jake Jensen**, a sophomore who transferred to USC in the fall of 2022, arrives from Contra Costa Junior College in San Pablo (Calif.) where he completed 155-of-268 passes (57.9%) for 1,970 yards with 22 touchdowns and 9 interceptions and rushed for 105 yards on 64 carries (1.6 avg) with 4 TDs while starting 10 games as a 2021 freshman. He transferred to Contra Costa after a brief stint at BYU in the spring of 2021. He originally committed to BYU out of high school, but never enrolled in 2019 before heading on a 2-year Mormon mission to Argentina that was cut short a year because of the COVID pandemic.

•Walk-ons **Keegan Patterson** (Longmont High, Longmont Colo.), a 2021 MaxPreps All-State first team selection, and **Gage Roy** (Jesuit Dallas, Dallas, Texas), a 2021 All-District 7-6A first team honoree, also join the team as freshmen quarterbacks.

--Williams hit 86.3% of his passes (19-of-22) for 249 yards and 2 TDs with no picks against Rice. His 86.3 completion percentage was the best by a Trojan quarterback with a minimum of 20 attempts since Matt Barkley had a 95.0 completion percentage vs. Colorado on Oct. 20, 2012. He also ran for a game-high 68 yards on 6 carries. At the end of the game, Moss went 6-of-7 for 81 yards (85.7%).

## RUNNING BACKS

•The Trojans lost their two most experienced running backs in Keaontay Ingram, the 2021 Trojan rushing leader (911 yards), and USC captain Vavae Malepeai, who finished his Trojan career 21st on USC's all-time rushing ladder (2,005 yards).

•Redshirt junior **Darwin Barlow** returns as the lone back to have contributed for the Trojans last year. After transferring from TCU in the summer of 2021, Barlow recorded 289 yards on 62 carries (4.7 avg) with 2 TDs in 2021, plus 4 receptions for 22 yards (5.5 avg).

•Walk-on redshirt sophomore **Matt Colombo** and redshirt senior **Brandon Outlaw** (who previously played wide receiver) also return to the Trojan squad.

•Riley pulled two experienced Pac-12 running backs from the transfer portal in the spring: redshirt senior **Travis Dye** and senior **Austin Jones**.

•In his 4-year (2018-21) career at Oregon while appearing in 48 games (with 19 starts), Dye ran for 3,111 yards (fifth most in school history) on 521 carries (6.0 avg) with 21 TDs, caught 83 passes for 869 yards (10.5 avg) with 8 TDs, returned 15 kickoffs for 305 yards (20.3 avg) and had 5 punt returns for 52 yards (10.4 avg). He had 7 100-yard rushing games and 4,337 all-purpose yards in his career. He was a 2021 All-Pac-12 honorable mention and AP All-Pac-12 second team pick. In his career, Dye has run for 3,131 yards on 526 carries (6.0 avg) with 21 TDs, caught 86 passes for 890 yards (10.3 avg) with 8 TDs

•Jones arrives at Troy from Stanford, where he ran for 1,155 yards on 278 carries (4.2 avg) with 12 TDs, caught 67 passes for 531 yards (7.9 avg) with 1 TD and returned 4 kickoffs for 60 yards (15.0 avg) during his 3-year career. In his career, Jones has run for 1,203 yards on 282 carries (4.3 avg) with 14 TDs, caught 68 passes for 552 yards (8.1 avg) with 1 TD.

•This fall, versatile freshman **Raleek Brown** (Mater Dei High, Santa Ana, Calif.) joins the USC roster and could be used at running back, wide receiver or on defense. He helped Mater Dei to the 2021 high school national championship while rushing for 1,123 yards

--Jones ran for 48 yards on 4 carries and caught a pass for 21 yards and scores 2 TDs against Rice, while Dye rushed for 20 yards on 5 attempts and caught 3 passes for 21 yards. Barlow rushed for 16 yards on 5 attempts and scored 1 TD. In his Trojan debut, Brown ran for 36 yards on 6 carries and scored 1 TD. He also caught 2 passes for 40 yards.

## WIDE RECEIVERS

•The wide receiver room will be feeling the effects of losing one of the finest receivers in Trojan history, All-American first teamer Drake London. Before suffering a broken ankle on a tackle while catching a touchdown late in the first half of Game 8 last season, London had 88 receptions for 1,084 yards with 7 TDs in just 7.5 games.

•The Trojans will attempt to replace London by committee as they return 2 other starters in juniors **Gary Bryant Jr.** and **Tahj Washington**.

•Bryant was a key starting wide receiver and led USC in kickoff and punt returns as a sophomore in 2021. Overall in 2021 while appearing in 10 games and starting 7 times, he had 44 receptions (third on USC) for 579 yards (13.2 avg) with 7 TDs, plus a team-best 11 punt returns for 50 yards (4.5 avg), a team-high 16 kickoff returns for 413 yards (25.8 avg) and a 3-yard rush for a TD. He ranked 21st nationally in kickoff returns (25.8).

•After transferring from Memphis as a 2020 Football Writers Freshman All-American first team member, Washington started 11 games at wide out in the 2021 season as a redshirt sophomore for USC. He had 54 receptions (second on USC) for 602 yards (11.1 avg) with 1 TD, as well as 7 kickoff returns for 121 yards (17.3 avg) and 1 tackle. In his career, Washington has 104 receptions for 1,442 yards (13.9 avg) with 7 TDs.

•A number of tested returnees will battle for starting roles, including redshirt junior **Kyle Ford**, junior **John Jackson III** and sophomore **Michael Jackson III**.

•Ford returned healthy as a redshirt sophomore in 2021 and saw action at wide receiver in 8 games. Overall in 2021, he had 19 receptions for 252 yards (13.3 avg) with 2 TDs, with a catch in every game he played. He was a 2021 Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year semifinalist. John Jackson III, who has strong USC bloodlines, was a contributor at wide receiver as a junior in 2021. Overall in 2021 while appearing in 10 games, he had 3 catches for 16 yards (5.3 avg). In his debut season as a Trojan, Michael Jackson III appeared in 8 games and started once. He had 12 receptions for 116 yards (9.7 avg) and 2 punt returns for 5 yards (2.5 avg).

•**Kyron Hudson** returns to the Trojan squad as a redshirt freshman after appearing in 1 game last year and catching 2 passes for 4 yards.

•Four walk-ons who have yet to play at USC—redshirt sophomores **Danny Ryan** and **Ty Shamblin** and redshirt freshmen **Josiah Zamora** and **Grant Zane**—will also be available for the Trojans.

•Joining the Trojans as spring transfers were redshirt senior **Terrell Bynum**, junior **Brenden Rice** and sophomore **Mario Williams**.

•Bynum, who spent the past 4 years at Pac-12 foe Washington, had 65 receptions for 934 yards (14.4 avg) with 6 TDs and ran for 87 yards on 7 carries (12.4 avg) while appearing in 34 games (with 19 starts) in his Husky career. Rice also arrived at Troy from a fellow Pac-12 team, Colorado. In his 2 years (2020-21) at Colorado, he had 27 receptions for 419 yards (15.5 avg) with 5 TDs, plus 19 kickoff returns for 506 yards (26.6 avg), an 81-yard scoring punt return and 6 carries for 54 yards (9.0 avg) while appearing in 17 games (with 12 starts). He had a pair of 100-yard receiving games in his career.



## WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

### MONDAY

- USC practice closed to media, no interviews
- 7 p.m. PT--Trojans Live with Coach Riley and a player/coach guest

### TUESDAY

- 8:10 a.m. PT--USC practice, open to media for stretch and individual. Coach Riley and various players available to media after practice

### WEDNESDAY

- 4 p.m. PT--USC practice, open to media for stretch and individual. Coach Grinch and various players available to media after practice

### THURSDAY

- USC practice closed to media, no interviews
- Approx. 11 a.m. PT--Coach Riley available to media via Zoom  
*(NOTE: Contact USC Director of Football Communications Katie Ryan for the media-only Zoom link)*

### FRIDAY

- USC practice closed to media, no interviews

### SATURDAY

- 4:30 p.m. PT--USC at Stanford, Palo Alto, Calif.
- Coach Riley, Coach Grinch and various players available to media after game in visiting press room.

### SUNDAY

- No USC practice, no interviews

All times subject to change

**USC ONLINE MEDIA CENTER**—An on-line media center at [USCTrojans.com/fb-media](https://USCTrojans.com/fb-media) includes photos and video of USC practices, as well as links to pressers and weekly game notes. On game days, the media center houses media guides, flip card, game program, photos, video, final stats, notes and quotes. Contact Katie Ryan for the login/password.

**USC WEBSITE**—USC's athletic website is [USCTrojans.com](https://USCTrojans.com). Live Stats are available there. USC Athletics also is on Twitter ([Twitter.com/USC\\_Athletics](https://twitter.com/USC_Athletics)), Facebook ([Facebook.com/USCTrojans](https://facebook.com/USCTrojans)), Instagram ([Instagram.com/USC\\_Athletics](https://instagram.com/USC_Athletics)) and YouTube ([YouTube.com/USCAthletics](https://YouTube.com/USCAthletics)). The USC Trojan Text Alert program allows fans to get real-time Trojan news (text "Trojans" to 51234). There also are free apps for [USCTrojans.com](https://USCTrojans.com) and USC Game Day.

**PAC-12 ONLINE**—The Pac-12's official website is [Pac-12.com](https://Pac-12.com).

**COLLEGE PRESS BOX**—The official media website for Division I football is [CollegePressBox.com](https://CollegePressBox.com). Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. For access, go to [collegepressbox.com/register](https://collegepressbox.com/register).

• Williams, a 2021 ESPN True Freshman All-American, joins his former Sooner quarterback Caleb Williams at USC. He was one of the nation's top true freshmen wide receivers in 2021 at Oklahoma. While appearing in 12 games and starting once, he had 35 receptions (second on OU) for 380 yards (10.9 avg) with 4 TDs and he also returned 5 kickoffs for 108 yards (21.6 avg). He had 3-plus receptions in 7 contests.

• Highly-regarded true freshman **CJ Williams** (Mater Dei High, Santa Ana, Calif.), enrolled at USC in the spring after graduating high school a semester early. He caught 12 TD passes last year as Mater Dei won the prep national championship.

• The summer transfer of **Jordan Addison** to USC from Pittsburgh was one that made national news. The 2021 Biletnikoff Award winner (the nation's top receiver) will make an immediate impact in the Trojan receiving corps as a junior. He was a 2021 consensus All-American first teamer (named to the AP Football Writers, Walter Camp and Sporting News first teams), as well as All-ACC first team (and third team as an all-purpose player). Overall in 2021 while starting 13 of the 14 games he played, he had 100 receptions (a school record) for 1,593 yards (15.9 avg) with 17 touchdowns (tied for most in the nation), as well as 7 carries for 56 yards (8.0 avg) with a TD and 12 punt returns for 185 yards (15.4 avg). His 1,593 receiving yards were fourth most in the nation, while having 8 games with 100 receiving yards and a team-best 1,834 all-purpose yards. Addison has a career 165 receptions for 2,313 yards (14.0 avg) with 23 TDs.

• Freshman **Austin Overn** (Foothill High, Santa Ana, Calif.) will compete as a walk-on wide receiver and will also play baseball on scholarship at USC.

--*Addison caught 5 passes for 54 yards and 2 TDs against Rice, while Washington added 4 catches for 65 yards, Hudson collected 3 receptions for 34 yards and Williams tallied 2 receptions for 21 yards.*

### TIGHT ENDS

• One of USC's most experienced rooms is comprised of the tight ends. **Malcolm Epps, Josh Faló, Sean Mahoney, Lake McRee** and **Jude Wolfe** have all seen action for the Trojans. Only veteran Erik Krommenhoek, who had 39 career catches with 3 TDs while starting 22 games, and Michael Trigg (7 catches with a TD as a 2021 freshman), who has transferred, are gone.

• After transferring from Texas after a 3-year career, redshirt senior Epps saw action in all 12 games in 2021. He had 10 receptions for 173 yards (17.3 avg) with 1 TD. Redshirt senior Faló, previously a major contributor at tight end, looks to break back into the rotation in 2022. He has 18 catches for 246 yards (13.7 avg) with 3 TDs in 36 career games, starting 5 times. Redshirt junior Mahoney has appeared in 14 games in his career, but has not caught a pass. He has predominately been used on special teams. Redshirt freshman McRee saw key playing time at tight end and on special teams while appearing in 4 late-season games (with one start) as a first-year freshman in 2021. Overall, he had 7 receptions for 91 yards (13.0 avg). Redshirt junior Wolfe has tallied 10 catches for 61 yards (6.1 avg) in his career while appearing in 19 games (with 1 start).

• Also in the tight end corps is redshirt junior **Ethan Rae**. Rae, who has been plagued by a knee injury throughout his collegiate career, has yet to take the field in Cardinal and Gold. He looks to return healthy in 2022 and compete for playing time.

--*McRee caught 1 pass for 9 yards against Rice.*

### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

• The Trojan offensive line returns a group of long-time veterans as well as some experienced younger linemen. The only key losses are right guard Liam Jimmons and right tackle Jalen McKenzie.

• Redshirt seniors **Brett Neilon** and **Andrew Vorhees** are no strangers to the gridiron trenches. A three-year starter at center, Neilon returns for his final year. He made 2021 All-Pac-12 honorable mention and Pro Football Focus All-Pac-12 first team. He has appeared in 34 games in his career while starting 29. Vorhees, utilizing his extra COVID-year granted by the NCAA, is returning for a sixth season as USC's most experienced lineman. While playing left guard and then left tackle, he was named 2021 AP All-American third team as well as All-Pac-12 honorable mention, AP All-Pac-12 first team and Pro Football Focus All-Pac-12 first team. He has appeared in 44 games on the offensive line in his career, with 25 starts at right guard, 8 starts at left guard and 4 starts at left tackle.

• Redshirt sophomores **Courtland Ford** (10 game appearances in his career, with 9 starts) and **Jonah Monheim** (13 game appearances in his career, with 7 starts) both started the first half of 2021, with Ford at left tackle and Monheim at right tackle. When they both started the 2021 opener against San Jose State, it marked the first time since at least 1984 when complete records are available that USC started freshmen at both tackle spots. Redshirt senior **Justin Dedich** (22 game appearances in his career, with 7 starts) started 4 times in 2021 at left guard.

• Other experienced linemen returning are redshirt junior **Jason Rodriguez** (5 game appearances) and redshirt sophomore **Andrew Milek** (13 game appearances).

• Six more players add to the crop of Trojan linemen: redshirt seniors **Joe Bryson** and **AJ Mageo**, redshirt junior **Gino Quinones**, redshirt sophomores **Andres Dewerk** and **Caadyn Stephen** and redshirt freshman **Mason Murphy**.

• Transfer **Bobby Haskins** joined the Trojans this past spring from Virginia. The redshirt senior had a 4-year career as an offensive tackle for the Cavaliers, where he started 20 of his 45 games played. He looks to make an immediate impact on the USC offensive line.

• **Cooper Lovelace**, who transferred to USC in the fall of 2022 from Butler Community College, joins the Trojan offensive line as a redshirt junior. Also joining the fray is **Kilian O'Connor** (Santa Margarita Catholic High, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.) as a walk-on freshman.

--*Ford, Vorhees, Neilon, Dedich and Monheim started against Rice.*

### DEFENSIVE OVERVIEW

• USC's defense returns only 3 starters from 2021: inside linebacker **Ralen Goforth** and defensive linemen **Stanley Ta'ufu'ou** and **Tuli Tuipulotu**. Other defensive players back with career starts at USC are defensive linemen **Nick Figueroa**, **De'jon Benton** and **Jamar Sekona**, inside linebacker **Chris Thompson Jr.** and defensive backs **Calen Bullock**, **Xavion Alford**, **Joshua Jackson Jr.**, **Jaylin Smith** and **Prophet Brown**.

• Three of USC's top 6 tacklers from 2021 are back, as are its leaders in sacks, interceptions, pass deflections and forced fumbles. The Trojans recorded 14 interceptions in 2021, their most since 2017. However, the Trojan defense in 2021 surrendered a school-record 408.9 total yards per game, including 241.8 passing yards, and a school-record 31.8 points. Opponents rushed for more than 150 yards per game against USC for the fifth consecutive year (167.1 in 2021), something before then that had happened only once since 2001.



## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

•The only key defensive lineman missing from 2021 is Jacob Lichtenstein, who transferred after getting 8 starts and 28 tackles (6 for losses, with 4 sacks) last fall.

•Two high-performing starters return to the defensive line for the Trojans: redshirt junior **Stanley Ta'ufu'ou** (19 tackles, including 1.5 for a loss, in his career while appearing in 17 games, with 12 starts) and junior **Tuli Tuipulotu** (70 tackles, including 10 for losses, with 7.5 sacks, 2 deflections, a fumble recovery for a TD and 2 forced fumbles in his career while appearing in 18 games, with 15 starts). Tuipulotu made the 2021 All-Pac-12 first team while leading the Trojans in sacks (5.5) and forced fumbles (2).

•Redshirt seniors **Nick Figueroa** (45 tackles, including 11.5 for losses of 39 yards, with 4.5 sacks for minus 23 yards, plus a deflection and a fumble recovery in his career) and **Brandon Pili** (49 tackles, including 7.5 for losses, with 2.5 sacks, 3 deflections, a forced fumble and a blocked field goal in his career while appearing in 38 games, starting 5 times) are tested veterans who are coming back from injury, ready to battle for starting positions. Figueroa, who has appeared in 28 games in his career, with 11 starts, was a 2021 semifinalist for the Campbell Trophy, Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year Award and Senior CLASS Award. He had shoulder and hamstring injuries that limited him to 9 games in 2021 (with 5 starts), while Pili sat out last season after tearing his Achilles.

•Four other defensive linemen have shown promise for the upcoming season: redshirt junior **De'jon Benton** (6 tackles in career), redshirt sophomores **Jamar Sekona** (8 tackles and 1 start in career) and **Kobe Pepe** (3 tackles in career), who missed 2021 with a shoulder injury, and redshirt freshman **Colin Mobley** (2 game appearances).

•Two transfer linemen joined the squad in the spring to bolster the defensive line unit: senior **Tyrone Taleni** and redshirt junior **Earl Barquet Jr.** Transferring from Kansas State, Taleni recorded 5 tackles, including 2 sacks, while appearing in 10 games in his 2-year career there (2020-21). Barquet arrived at Troy from TCU, where he tallied 21 tackles (3.5 for losses, with 2.5 sacks) while appearing in 16 games in his 2-year career (2020-21).

•Two more transfers came aboard this summer. Redshirt senior walk-on **Sinjun Astani** joins the Trojans from San Jose State and redshirt senior **Solomon Byrd** arrives from Wyoming, both with two years of eligibility remaining.

--*Benton had 5 tackles (0.5 for loss) against Rice. Sekona added 2 stops, including 1 sack. Taleni collected 2 tackles including 2 TFLs (with 1 sack). Pili added on 2 tackles, while Tuipulotu and Figueroa each had a tackle.*

## RUSH ENDS

•After losing one of the nation's most dominant pass rushers in 2021 All-Pac-12 second teamer and Lott IMPACT Trophy quarterfinalist Drake Jackson (103 tackles, 25 for loss, 12.5 sacks, 2 interceptions, 1 fumble recovery and 1 forced fumble in his career), the Trojans are looking to fill his shoes. Hunter Echols, who had 50 career tackles and 7 starts, transferred.

•Sophomore **Korey Foreman**, ranked as the nation's No. 1 recruit in 2020, looks to once again be a key contributor at rush end in 2022. While seeing significant action in 11 games as a first-year freshman in 2021, he had 11 tackles, including 3.5 for losses of 8 yards (with 2.5 sacks).

•Redshirt senior **Solomon Tuliapupu** has been plagued by foot and knee injuries throughout his entire career. He played in the first game of his 5-year career at USC against Rice.

•Making the transition from the SEC to the Pac-12 is redshirt sophomore transfer **Romello Height**. The rush end from Auburn collected 18 tackles, including 3 for losses, while appearing in 10 games in his 2-year career as a Tiger.

•Freshman **Devan Thompkins** (Edison High, Stockton, Calif.) and walk-on freshman **Garrett Pomerantz** (Bishop Gorman High, Las Vegas, Nev.) joined this group in the fall.

--*Foreman and Tuliapupu each collected 1 tackle (Tuliapupu's was 0.5 sack) against Rice. Height was ejected for targeting in the second quarter.*

## INSIDE LINEBACKERS

•USC's 2021 tackle leader, inside linebacker Kana'i Mauga, is gone. He had 90 stops in 2021 and made All-Pac-12 honorable mention. He had 206 career tackles, including 16.5 for losses with 5 sacks, plus 6 deflections, 2 forced fumbles and 3 interceptions while starting 24 of his 43 games. Raymond Scott, who had 27 tackles and 3 starts last season, has transferred.

•Veteran starter **Ralen Goforth** returns at inside linebacker for the Trojans. In his career, the senior has recorded 107 tackles (4 for losses of 8 yards), 1 interception (which was returned for a TD), 2 deflections, 1 fumble recovery and 1 forced fumble.

•Three more inside linebackers with experience are redshirt senior **Tuasivi Nomura** (9 tackles in his career while appearing in 21 games), junior **Chris Thompson Jr.** (19 career tackles, including 1 for a loss, while appearing in 15 games with 2 starts) and sophomore **Raesjon Davis** (appeared in 10 games in 2021). Thompson played safety and nickelback last year at USC.

•Also battling for action will be redshirt senior **Taylor Katoa** (slowed in his career by a lingering knee injury and a Mormon mission), redshirt junior **Clyde Moore** (1 tackle in his career while appearing in 11 games, mostly on special teams) and redshirt freshman **Julien Simon** (he saw action in 2 games on special teams in 2021).

•Bringing in a wealth of experience is senior transfer **Shane Lee**. He arrived at Troy after a 3-year career at Alabama, where he made 96 tackles, including 8 for losses (with 6 sacks), plus an interception, 3 forced fumbles, a fumble recovery and a deflection. He appeared in 29 games for the Crimson Tide with 13 starts. Now in his career, he has recorded 104 tackles, including 10 for losses (with 6 sacks), plus 2 interceptions (one of which was returned for a TD), 3 forced fumbles, 2 deflections and a fumble recovery.

•Joining the inside linebacker corps in the fall were four fresh faces: transfer sophomore **Eric Gentry** from Arizona State, freshman **Garrison Madden** (Dutchtown High, Hampton, Ga.), walk-on freshman **Roman Marchetti** (Foothill High, Santa Ana, Calif.) and transfer freshman **Carson Tabaracci** from Utah. Now in his career, Gentry has 52 tackles, including 5.5 for losses of 20 yards (with 1.5 sacks), and 2 deflections.

--*Lee led the team with 8 tackles (2 for loss) and a 40-yard interception return for a TD against Rice. Gentry collected 7 tackles including 0.5 sack and Goforth tallied 2 tackles and his first career interception which was returned 31 yards for a TD.*

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

•USC lost five standouts in the secondary and replacing them will be critical. Free safety and two-time captain Isaiah Pola-Mao (178 tackles, including 9 for losses, with 1.5 sacks, plus 5 interceptions, 8 deflections, 4 fumble recoveries and 1 forced fumble in his career), cornerbacks Chris Steele (95 tackles 3 for a loss, with a sack, 12 deflections, a fumble recovery, a forced fumble and 3 interceptions in his career) and Isaac Taylor-Stuart (80 tackles, including 1 for a loss, plus 2 interceptions and 7 deflections in his career), 3-year starting nickelback Greg Johnson (98 tackles, 6.5 for losses with a sack, 9 deflections, 3 interceptions with a TD, 2 fumble recoveries and 2 forced fumbles in his career) and strong safety Chase Williams (85 career tackles, including 4.5 for losses, plus a fumble recovery and deflection in his career) were impactful in the Trojan backfield. They combined for 111 starts and 13 interceptions in their careers (29/5 by Pola-Mao, 25/3 by Johnson, 23/3 by Steele, 19/2 by Taylor-Stuart, 15/0 by Williams).

•Two young safeties shined for USC in 2021: redshirt sophomore **Xavion Alford** and sophomore **Calen Bullock**. After transferring from Texas, Alford led USC with 3 interceptions and 3 deflections, while collecting 31 tackles throughout 11 games. Bullock, the first USC true freshman to start a season opener since Su'a Cravens in 2013, had an impressive debut, leading the team with 8 tackles in USC's 2021 season opener against San Jose State. He went on to play in 12 games, starting 6 times, and recorded 39 tackles, 2 interceptions and 3 deflections. He made the 2021 Football Writers Freshman All-American and Pro Football Focus True Freshman All-American first team. In his career, Bullock has 45 tackles, 3 interceptions (1 returned for a TD) and 3 deflections.

•Coming back from injury is redshirt junior **Max Williams**. Williams was set to battle for the starting nickelback job and play a key role on special teams as a sophomore in 2021, but he tore knee ligaments in 2021 spring practice and had surgery, so he missed the 2021 season. In his career, he has recorded 33 tackles, including 3.5 for losses, with 1.5 sacks, plus 2 deflections and a forced fumble, while appearing in 11 games, starting 6 times.

•Sophomore **Jaylin Smith** will look to get into the rotation at safety. Appearing in USC's first 10 games with 1 start, he tallied 11 tackles, including 2 for losses (with 1 sack), an interception, a deflection and a forced fumble. He suffered a concussion against UCLA and missed the final two contests of 2021. Redshirt sophomore Joshua Jackson Jr. will compete for playing time after recording 2 starts, 9 tackles, an interception and a deflection in 2021.

•Also competing for playing time will be redshirt senior **Micah Croom** (10 tackles, 1 forced fumble, 1 fumble recovery in his career), who moved to defensive back this spring from inside linebacker, redshirt juniors **Briton Allen** (8 tackles) and **Adonis Otey** (1 tackle)--both coming back from injuries that sidelined them in 2021--and redshirt freshmen **Anthony Beavers**, **Prophet Brown** (7 tackles and 1 start), **Xamarion Gordon** (1 tackle) and **Ceyair Wright** (2 tackles).

•In the mix are two walk-ons: sophomore **L Simpson** and redshirt freshman **Daniel Jimenez-Fulton**.

•Two more transfers joined the Trojans in the secondary in the spring: redshirt senior cornerback **Mekhi Blackmon** and sophomore cornerback **Latrell McCutchin**.

•Blackmon was a 4-year performer at Colorado (2018-21), where he had 87 tackles, including 3 for losses with 2 sacks, 13 deflections, a fumble recovery and 2 interceptions while appearing in 25 games with 19 starts. McCutchin was at Oklahoma last fall, where he had 9 tackles, 2 forced fumbles and a deflection while appearing in 9 games and starting once. In his career, Blackmon has 91 tackles, including 3 for losses (with 2 sacks), 15 deflections, a fumble recovery and 2 interceptions.



•Highly touted true freshman **Domani Jackson** (Mater Dei High, Santa Ana, Calif.) also looks to battle for action after he enrolled at USC this spring after graduating a semester early from high school to participate in spring practice. He missed most of his senior campaign because of a knee injury.

•A pair of prep All-Americans from 2021 Las Vegas state champion Bishop Gorman High in Las Vegas enrolled this fall: safety **Zion Branch** and cornerback **Fabian Ross**. After suffering a lower-extremity injury in an offseason workout, Branch did not participate in fall camp.

•Also joining the Trojan squad this fall is redshirt junior transfer **Bryson Shaw** from Ohio State and redshirt sophomore transfer **Jacobe Covington** from Washington.

--*Bullock collected 6 tackles and had a 93-yard interception return for a TD against Rice. Williams tallied 5 tackles, while Blackmon added 4 tackles and 2 deflections. Gordon made 1 stop and 1 interception.*

## SPECIAL TEAMS OVERVIEW

•The Trojan special teams unit is going to look quite different than in 2021. With the loss of Aussie punter and USC captain Ben Griffiths (45.0 P avg in 2021), 2-year starting placekicker Parker Lewis (26 career field goals, including 17 in 2021) and steady five-year starting long snapper Damon Johnson, the Trojans will be looking to fill some spots.

•USC was 50th in kickoff returns, averaging 22.0, and 28th in net punting (41.78) in 2021. Just 11 of USC's 44 punts and 16 of its 64 kickoffs were returned last fall.

## PUNTERS

•Griffiths averaged 43.5 yards per punt in his 3-year Trojan career, with only 10 touchbacks on 114 boots. He made All-Pac-12 honorable mention in 2021 while averaging 45.0.

•Attempting to fill his shoes is junior **Aadyn Sleep-Dalton**, a punter who arrived at USC over the summer from Australia, who earned the starting spot. Returners redshirt junior **Will Rose** and redshirt sophomore **Michael McAllister** are also available to punt.

--*In his USC and American football debut, Sleep-Dalton averaged 26.0 yards on 1 punt against Rice.*

## PLACEKICKERS

•In his 2 years at Troy, Lewis made 26-of-35 field goals and 45-of-46 PATs and had touchbacks on 49 of his 72 kickoffs (68.1%). Last fall while making All-Pac-12 second team, he hit 17-of-22 field goals (with a long of 52 yards) and 22-of-23 PATs and had touchbacks on nearly 80% of his 34 kickoffs. His 17 field goals in 2021 were 2 shy of the USC season record. He was eighth nationally in field goals (1.7). At one point, he had made 11 consecutive field goals dating to 2020.

•Redshirt senior **Alex Stadthaus** returns as a kicker with game experience. In 2021, Stadthaus saw key action doing placement kicks and kicking off. While appearing in 7 games, he hit all 6 of his field goal attempts and all 11 of his PATs and had touchbacks on 18 of his 30 kickoffs (60%). He earned the starting kickoff role.

•Walk-on redshirt freshman **Denis Lynch**, a left-footed placekicker who did not see action in 2021, earned the starting nod at placekicker.

•This fall, **Garth White**, a transfer from Ventura Junior College, joined the special teams unit as a walk-on sophomore placekicker and punter.

--*In his USC debut, Lynch nailed all 8 PATs and kicked a 25-yard field goal against Rice.*

## SNAPPERS

•Three walk-on long snappers battled to replace Johnson: redshirt senior **Jac Casasante**, junior **Daniel Meunier** and redshirt sophomore **Nathan Weneta**. Casasante won the starting job coming out of camp.

## HOLDERS

•Griffiths had been USC's holder the past 3 seasons. Punter **Will Rose** was his backup last year, but didn't get in. He is now handling all holding duties this season.

## PUNT RETURNERS

•Junior wide receiver **Gary Bryant Jr.** had 11 punt returns for 50 yards (4.5 avg) in 2021, and redshirt freshman **Michael Jackson III** recorded 2 punt returns for 5 yards (2.5 avg) in 2021.

•Two transfers have punt return experience: redshirt senior **Travis Dye**, who had 5 punt returns for 52 yards (10.4 avg) during his time at Oregon, and junior wide receiver **Brenden Rice**, who recorded an 81-yard scoring punt return while at Colorado.

--*Bryant Jr. recorded 2 punt returns for a total of 4 yards.*

## KICKOFF RETURNERS

•Two returning Trojans have experience as kickoff returners: **Gary Bryant Jr.** (16 KOR, 413 yds, 25.8 avg in 2021) and redshirt junior receiver **Tahj Washington** (7 KOR, 121 yds, 17.3 avg in 2021). Bryant, who is 19th on USC's career kickoff return chart with 623 yards, was 21st nationally in kickoff returns (25.8) in 2021.

•Four transfers also have kickoff return experience in their careers elsewhere: **Travis Dye** returned 15 kickoffs for 305 yards (20.3 avg) at Oregon, **Brenden Rice** had 19 kickoff returns for 506 yards (26.6 avg) at Colorado, senior running back **Austin Jones** returned 4 kickoffs for 60 yards (15.0 avg) while at Stanford and sophomore receiver **Mario Williams** returned 5 kickoffs for 108 yards (21.6 avg) while at Oklahoma.

--*Rice had a 16 yard kickoff return against Rice.*

## B1G NEWS

•The University of Southern California will take the historic step of joining the Big Ten Conference in 2024, a move that will position USC and its student-athletes for long-term success in both athletics and academics.

•"Over the past three years, we have worked hard to ground our university decisions in what is best for our students," said USC President Carol L. Folt. "With the Big Ten, we are joining a storied conference that shares our commitment to academic excellence and athletic competitiveness, and we are positioning USC and our student-athletes for long-term success and stability amidst the rapidly evolving sports media and collegiate athletics landscapes. We are delighted to begin this new chapter in 2024."

•The Big Ten Conference voted to accept both USC and crosstown rival UCLA as full members of the conference effective August 2, 2024, enabling both schools to remain in the Pac-12 Conference for the duration of the Pac-12's existing media rights agreements.

•"Ultimately, the Big Ten is the best home for USC and Trojan athletics as we move into the new world of collegiate sports," USC Athletic Director Mike Bohn said. "We are excited that our values align with the league's member institutions. We also will benefit from the stability and strength of the conference; the athletic caliber of Big Ten institutions; the increased visibility, exposure, and resources the conference will bring our student-athletes and programs; and the ability to expand engagement with our passionate alumni nationwide."

## RANDOM NOTES

•••USC is the only FBS school never to have had surnames on the back of its jerseys.

•••USC is one of only 3 NCAA FBS (formerly Division I-A) schools that has never played an FCS (formerly non-Division I-A) opponent since the divisions were established in 1978. The other schools are UCLA and Notre Dame, both Trojan opponents nearly every season.

•••USC's 634 games played in the Coliseum (including 6 wins vacated by NCAA penalty) are the third most that any FBS school has played in its home stadium, behind Georgia Tech's 713 in Bobby Dodd Stadium and Tennessee's 637 in Neyland Stadium.

•••Some 2022 schedule notes:

- USC plays 7 home games again, just as it did in the 2021 season.
- USC hosted Rice on Sept. 3, the teams' first meeting since 1971.
- USC's Sept. 10 home game against Stanford is the first Pac-12 game of the 2022 campaign.
- USC's home game against Fresno State on Sept. 17 will be the first meeting of the two teams since 2019.
- USC's road trips to Oregon State (Sept. 24), Utah (Oct. 15) and Arizona (Oct. 29) will be its first trips to those locations since 2018.
- USC's home game against Arizona State on Oct. 1 is the Zero Waste Game, part of the Pac-12's Zero Waste Challenge.
- USC's game versus Washington State on Oct. 8 is Trojan Family Weekend.
- USC's home game versus California on Nov. 5 is Homecoming.

•••USC's future non-conference schedule features home games versus San Jose State (2023, 2024), LSU (2024), Fresno State (2026, 2028), Nevada (2023), Mississippi (2025) and UNLV (2027). Since 1926, USC has annually (except during World War II and in 2020 because of COVID-19 limitations) played Notre Dame in a home-and-home series that currently runs through 2026. Since 2000, Troy also has had Alabama, Ohio State, Texas, Auburn, Nebraska, Penn State, Arkansas, BYU, Virginia Tech, Kansas State, Syracuse, Boston College, Hawaii, Minnesota, Virginia, Fresno State, UNLV, Utah State, Western Michigan, Idaho and Arkansas State on its regular season non-conference slate.





•••Thirty-three Trojans previously attended other 4-year schools: WR **Jordan Addison** (Pittsburgh), DB **Xavion Alford** (Texas), DL **Sinjun Astani** (San Jose State), RB **Darwin Barlow** (TCU), DL **Earl Barquet Jr.** (TCU), DB **Mekhi Blackmon** (Colorado), WR **Terrell Bynum** (Washington), DL **Solomon Byrd** (Wyoming), DL **Joe Bryson** (Colorado Mesa), DB **Jacobe Covington** (Washington), DB **Micah Croom** (Dartmouth), RB **Travis Dye** (Oregon), TE **Malcolm Epps** (Texas), ILB **Eric Gentry** (Arizona State), DL **Nick Figueroa** (Cal Poly), QB **Mo Hasan** (Syracuse, Vanderbilt), DL **Bobby Haskins** (Virginia), RUSH **Romello Height** (Auburn), QB **Jake Jensen** (BYU), RB **Austin Jones** (Stanford), ILB **Shane Lee** (Alabama), DB **Latrell McCutchin** (Oklahoma), ILB **Clyde Moore** (Colorado), RB **Brandon Outlaw** (Virginia), WR **Brenden Rice** (Colorado), DB **Bryson Shaw** (Ohio State), DB **L Simpson** (Loyola Marymount), ILB **Carson Tabaracci** (Utah), DL **Tyrone Taleni** (Kansas State), ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.** (Auburn), WR **Tahj Washington** (Memphis), SNP **Nathan Weneta** (Purdue) and QB **Caleb Williams** (Oklahoma).

•••USC currently has 20 players who graduated at least a semester early from high school and enrolled in college that spring. DL **Andrew Vorhees** enrolled in the spring of 2017. DL **Justin Dedich** enrolled in the spring of 2018. DB **Briton Allen**, ILB **Ralen Goforth**, DL **Gino Quinones**, DL **Stanley Ta'ufo'ou**, DB **Max Williams** and TE **Jude Wolfe** all enrolled in the spring of 2019. WR **Gary Bryant Jr.**, DB **Joshua Jackson Jr.** and DL **Kobe Pepe** all enrolled in the spring of 2020. DB **Anthony Beavers Jr.**, DB **Calen Bullock**, DB **Xamarion Gordon**, WR **Michael Jackson III**, TE **Lake McRee**, QB **Miller Moss** and ILB **Julien Simon** all enrolled in the spring of 2021. DB **Domani Jackson** and WR **CJ Williams** enrolled in the spring of 2022. Six other early enrollees: WR **Jordan Addison** enrolled at Pittsburgh in the spring of 2020. RB **Travis Dye** enrolled at Oregon in the spring of 2018. DL **Bobby Haskins** enrolled at Virginia in the spring of 2018. DB **Latrell McCutchin** enrolled at Oklahoma in the spring of 2021. ILB **Eric Gentry** enrolled at Arizona State in the spring of 2021. ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.** enrolled at Auburn in the spring of 2020. Since 1999, 77 Trojans have graduated at least a semester early from high school and come to USC (2 graduated a full year early).

•••Who's the fastest among the 2022 Trojans? DB **Ceyair Wright** has a best of 10.84 in the 100 meters and 21.74 in the 200 and he ran on the 2019 state champion 1600-meter relay team. DB **Prophet Brown** was a member of the California state champion 400-meter relay team and has personal bests of 10.90 in the 100 meters and 22.71 in the 200. WR **Brenden Rice** was a sprinter with a best of 10.78 in the 100 meters and 21.84 in the 200 meters.

•••Besides Wright, Brown and Rice (above), a number of other Trojans competed in track and field in high school: DL **Sinjun Astani**, DB **Prophet Brown** (sprints, long jump), WR **Terrell Bynum**, RB **Matt Colombo** (sprints), DB **Jacobe Covington**, DB **Micah Croom** (sprints), TE **Malcolm Epps**, ILB **Ralen Goforth**, WR **Michael Jackson III** (sprints), RB **Austin Jones**, ILB **Garrison Madden**, DL **Andrew Milek** (shot put, discus), DL **Brett Neilon**, DB **Adonis Otey** (sprints), WR **Austin Overn**, QB **Keegan Patterson**, DL **Brandon Pili** (shot put, discus), DL **Jason Rodriguez** (shot put, discus), DB **Fabian Ross**, DL **Jamar Sekona** (shot put, discus), WR **Ty Shamblin** (sprints), DL **Caadyn Stephen** (shot put), ILB **Carson Tabaracci**, ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.**, WR **Tahj Washington** (sprints, long/triple jump) and DB **Max Williams** (sprints).

•••As high schoolers, USC football players also competed in a wide range of other sports. In addition to track and field (above), they played primarily basketball (DB **Xavion Alford**, DL **Sinjun Astani**, DB **Mekhi Blackmon**, DB **Prophet Brown**, DL **Joe Bryson**, DL **Solomon Byrd**, TE **Malcolm Epps**, ILB **Eric Gentry**, DL **Bobby Haskins**, ILB **Garrison Madden**, TE **Lake McRee**, DL **Brett Neilon**, WR **Austin Overn**, QB **Keegan Patterson**, DL **Gino Quinones**, TE **Ethan Rae**, WR **Brenden Rice**, DL **Jason Rodriguez**, WR **Danny Ryan**, WR **Ty Shamblin**, ILB **Julien Simon**, PK **Alex Stadthaus**, ILB **Carson Tabaracci**, ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.**, QB **Isaac Ward**, TE **Jude Wolfe**) and baseball (RB **Darwin Barlow**, DL **Nick Figueroa**, WR **John Jackson III**, DB **Daniel Jimenez-Fulton**, SNP **Daniel Meunier**, WR **Austin Overn**, QB **Keegan Patterson**, TE **Ethan Rae**, P **Will Rose**, QB **Isaac Ward**, DB **Ceyair Wright**, WR **Mario Williams**). They also participated in soccer (DL **Justin Dedich**, PK **Alex Stadthaus**, WR **Tahj Washington**), lacrosse (RB **Travis Dye**, ILB **Roman Marchetti**, DB **Briton Allen**, TE **Sean Mahoney**, WR **Danny Ryan**, DB **Bryson Shaw**, ILB **Carson Tabaracci**), wrestling (DL **Cooper Lovelace**, DL **Brandon Pili**) and volleyball (DL **AJ Mageo**).

•••WR **Mario Williams** and WR **Austin Overn** are 2-sport athletes at USC. Williams and Overn will both join the baseball team in the 2023 season.

•••DB **Ceyair Wright** has been an actor and model since he was a youngster. He has appeared in movies, television shows (including "2 Broke Girls," "Training Day," "Life in Pieces" and "Instant Mom"), commercials and music videos. He played the son of LeBron James in the 2021 movie, "Space Jam: A New Legacy." He is currently a series regular on "Grown-ish."

•••PK **Alex Stadthaus** started kicking after winning a halftime fan field goal kicking contest as a high school sophomore (he nailed a 60-yarder).

•••QB **Mo Hasan** hosts a college football podcast, Momentum.

•••PK **Alex Stadthaus** earned his pilot's license in the summer of 2020.

•••DL **Brandon Pili** is USC's first football letterman from Alaska. DL **Caadyn Stephen** spent his sophomore year of high school in Alaska.

•••DL **Brett Neilon** grew up in Japan, home of his mother, where he participated in baseball, basketball, soccer and the martial art of aikido.

•••DL **Jason Rodriguez** speaks Spanish (he recorded videos in Spanish for 2020 Latinx Heritage Month to celebrate his Mexican heritage) and DB **Micah Croom** speaks Japanese.

•••WR **John Jackson III's father**, John Jr., who was a 2-time (1988-89) Academic All-American wide receiver and outfielder at USC before playing in the NFL and minor leagues, has recovered well from a massive stroke suffered in early December of 2018. Jackson Jr., whose father (John) was USC's running backs coach when Charles White (1979) and Marcus Allen (1981) won Heisman Trophies, has been part of the Trojan radio broadcast since 2003 (sideline reporter, then analyst). He has continued on the radio team in a limited role at home games while he recovered.

•••RUSH **Solomon Tuliaupupu** cut his long hair in 2017 for the first time since the fifth grade as a show of support of cancer victims and survivors.

•••While at Vanderbilt, QB **Mo Hasan** founded Second Spoon, a non-profit organization that distributes extra food from the student-athletes' training table to the homeless in Nashville, Miami and Los Angeles through the Hunger Relief Mobile (a converted FedEx truck).

•••QB **Caleb Williams** created the Caleb Cares Foundation which dedicates energy and resources to causes like anti-bullying, mental health awareness and youth development. Williams's nickname is "Superman" and this mission of the Caleb Cares Foundation is "to inspire more superheroes to fight bullying so we can all realize that what makes us different is our superpower."

•••DB **Anthony Beavers Jr.** and DB **Jaylin Smith** were in the Netflix show "Coach Snoop," about rapper Snoop Dogg and his Snoop Youth Football League.

•••SNP **Nathan Weneta** plays piano.

•••The Trojans have four married players: DL **Solomon Byrd** (his wife's name is Taysia), RB **Travis Dye** (was married in May of 2022, and his wife's name is Erin), QB **Jake Jensen** (his wife's name is McKayla) and DL **Andrew Vorhees** (was married in March of 2018, and his wife's name is Samantha).

•••DL **Tyrone Taleni** is USC's oldest player, as he turned 26 on June 20. USC's youngest player is RUSH **Devan Thompkins** (born Feb. 11, 2004).

•••ILB **Taylor Katoa**, who spent 2018 and 2019 on a Mormon mission in Virginia, was the first Trojan footballer to serve on a Mormon mission since Faaesea Mailo did so in 1997-98 in Japan. QB **Jake Jensen** also served a Mormon mission in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 2019, but it was cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

•••USC's roster features players who are a Jr. (DB **Anthony Beavers Jr.**, WR **Gary Bryant Jr.**, DB **Joshua Jackson Jr.**, ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.**), and a III (WR **John Jackson III**, WR **Michael Jackson III**).

•••USC has 4 players with the last name of Jackson (DB **Domani**, WR **John III**, DB **Joshua Jr.**, WR **Michael III**) and 4 named Williams (QB **Caleb**, WR **CJ**, WR **Mario**, DB **Max**), as well as 2 players named Ford (DL **Courtland**, WR **Kyle**) and 2 Browns (DB **Prophet**, RB **Raleek**) but none are related.

•••SNP **Jac Casasante's** real first name is John, and QB **Mo Hasan's** is Anthony. DL **AJ Mageo's initials** stand for Andrew James. RUSH **Solomon Tuliaupupu's full name** is Solomon Nokeakua-Stroud Tuliaupupu, while his nickname is "Solo." DB **Briton Allen's** is "Bam," DB **Prophet Brown's** is "Peanut Butter" and QB **Caleb Williams's** is "Superman". DL **Kobe Pepe** was named after late legendary Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant.

•••Eleven Trojans list their home state as Texas: DB **Xavion Alford**, RB **Darwin Barlow**, TE **Malcolm Epps**, DL **Courtland Ford**, DB **Xamarion Gordon**, DB **Latrell McCutchin**, TE **Lake McRee**, QB **Roy Gage**, PK **Alex Stadthaus**, ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.** and WR **Tahj Washington**. Last year, there were 17 Trojan lettermen from Texas, an all-time high. In its history, USC has had 46 football lettermen from Texas.



•••WR **Brenden Rice's** father is legendary College and Pro Football Hall of Fame wide receiver Jerry Rice, who starred at Mississippi Valley State (1981-84), where he was a 2-time All-American, and for the San Francisco 49ers (1985-2000), where he was on 3 Super Bowl champions (MVP in XXIII, plus XXIV, XXIX), Oakland Raiders (2001-04), Seattle Seahawks (2004) and Denver Broncos (2004) and set NFL records for career receptions (1,549), receiving yards (22,895) and receiving touchdowns (197). DL **Jamar Sekona's** uncle, Haloti Ngata, won Super Bowl XLVII with the Baltimore Ravens and ILB **Ralen Goforth's** brother, Randall, was an injured reserve with the Philadelphia Eagles when they won Super Bowl LII. Inside receivers coach **Luke Huard's** brother, Damon, played for the New England Patriots from 2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII championship teams. Defensive line coach **Shaun Nua** was a member of the Steelers' Super Bowl XL-winning team in 2006.

•••Several Trojan staffers have been part of national championship teams.

•Defensive coordinator **Alex Grinch** was a safety at Mount Union (1998-2001) as the Purple Raiders went 54-1, won three NCAA Division III championships (1998-2000-01)

•Offensive coordinator and offensive line coach **Josh Henson** was LSU's tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator for the Tigers' 2007 national championship squad.

•Football executive assistant **Cheryl Taplin** was a sprinter on 7 of LSU's NCAA champion outdoor and indoor women's track and field teams.

•••Several Trojans have relatives with USC football connections.

•WR **John Jackson III's** father, John Jr., set USC's career pass receptions record (163 catches) as a 4-year (1986-89) wide receiver, earning All-Pac-10 first team honors as a 1989 senior on the Rose Bowl champion Trojans and also being named a 2-time (1988-89) Academic All-American (he also won an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship in 1989) before playing in the NFL with the Phoenix Cardinals (1990-92) and Chicago Bears (1996) and also starring in baseball at USC as an outfielder (1988-90), setting the school career mark for stolen bases (54) and leading the team in hitting in 1989 (.356) when he made All-Pac-10 first team before playing minor league baseball (1990-95); he then became a sports broadcaster, including analyst (2012-20) and sideline reporter (2003-11) duties on USC's football radio and high school football coverage on FOX Sports West (in a well-documented story, his announcing was limited in 2019 while recovering from a late 2018 stroke). His grandfather, John Sr., was USC's running backs coach and offensive coordinator for 6 seasons (1976-81), helping Charles White (1979) and Marcus Allen (1981) win Heisman Trophies as the Trojans won 3 Rose Bowls; he also coached at Hofstra (1968-69), Dartmouth (1970), Illinois (1971-75) and UNLV (1999-2004) and worked 17 years with California Sports for Jerry Buss (running Forum Boxing and helping develop the Prime Ticket sports cable network).

•ILB **Clyde Moore's** brother, Grant, was an inside/outside linebacker at USC (2015-17) who earned USC's Joe Collins Walk-on Award in 2016 before earning a scholarship in 2017. His father, Rex, was a 4-year (1984-87) letterman linebacker at USC, leading the Trojans in tackles while earning team Most Inspirational Player accolades in 1986.

•DL **Tuli Tuipulotu's** brother is former USC defensive lineman Marlon Tuipulotu (2017-21), while his cousins are former USC (2018-20) safety Talanoa Hufanga, the 2020 Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year now with the San Francisco 49ers, and former USC (2005-08) defensive tackle Fili Moala, who played in the NFL with the Indianapolis Colts (2009-14).

•DB **Ceyair Wright's** uncle, Mazio Royster, lettered at tailback at USC in 1990 and 1991 (he led the Trojans in rushing in 1990 and then played in the NFL with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1993-94).

•Assistant coach **Donte Williams'** cousins are former USC defensive backs Kris Richard (1998-2001) and Darnell Lacy (1996-98).

•Offensive quality control analyst **Lenny Vandermade** is the brother-in-law of former USC running back Malaefou MacKenzie (1997-2002).

•Assistant athletic director/director of player relations **Gavin Morris'** uncle is former USC defensive lineman Willard "Bubba" Scott (1967-69), a member of USC's famed 1969 "Wild Bunch" defensive line.

•••Speaking of genes:

•DL **Sinjun Astani's** uncle, Tony Puopolo, was a defensive back at Tufts in 1991.

•DB **Mekhi Blackmon's** cousin, KeeSean Johnson, was a wide receiver at Fresno State (2015-18) who set the school's career receptions and receiving yardage records and then went to the NFL with the Arizona Cardinals (2019) and now the Philadelphia Eagles (2021-22).

•DB **Micah Croom's** brother, Larry Jr., was a running back at UNLV and then played for the Arizona Cardinals (2004-05), Tennessee Titans (2005), Detroit Lions (2005), San Diego Chargers (2006) and Pittsburgh Steelers (2007), as well as in Europe with the Hamburg Sea Devils (2005), Amsterdam Admirals (2006), Dresden Monarchs (2011-12) and Berlin Adler (2013-2019).

•RB **Travis Dye's** brother, Troy, was a 4-year (2016-19) starting linebacker at Oregon (he led the Ducks in tackles each year) and now is with the Minnesota Vikings (2020-21). His brother, Tony, was a safety at UCLA (2008-11), where he started for 3 seasons and led the Bruins in tackles in 2010, and then played with the Cincinnati Bengals (2012-13); he also played hockey for Team USA in the Junior Olympics. His brother, Jordan, was a wide receiver at Sterling College (2015-17). His father, Mark, played football at San Jose State (1988-89) and spent time in the Houston Astros minor league system.

•TE **Josh Faló's** brother, Nu'umotu Jr., was an outside linebacker at Colorado (2015-16, 18-19), while brother, Nate, was a defensive tackle at San Jose State (2013-15).

•ILB **Ralen Goforth's** brother, Randall, was a cornerback at UCLA (2012-16) who spent 2017 on injured reserve with the Super Bowl champion Philadelphia Eagles and then was with the Arizona Hotshots of the Alliance of American Football in 2019.

•QB **Mo Hasan's** father, Anthony, ran track at Florida.

•WR **Kyron Hudson's** brother, Keyon, is a sophomore defensive tackle at Oregon.

•WR **John Jackson III's** sister, Simone, is a sophomore on USC's women's soccer team. His aunt, Tracie, was employed at USC.

•RB **Austin Jones'** brother, Anthony, played football at Troy (2005-06) and Jacksonville State (2007).

•ILB **Taylor Katoa's** father, Fotu, was a tight end at BYU (1985, 1988-90), his mother, Elizabeth, was a distance runner at BYU in 1990, his sister, Eliza, was an outside hitter on Utah's volleyball team (2014-16) and also played on the Utes' beach volleyball team in 2017, his brother-in-law, Rhett Nelson, pitched at Santa Clara (2010) and BYU (2014) and his uncle, Fred Katoa, was a nose guard at BYU (1989-90).

•ILB **Clyde Moore's** uncle, Rob, was a fullback at Stanford (1980-83) who then attended USC for an MBA. His grandfather, Robin, was the NCAA 50-yard freestyle swimming champion in 1956 for Stanford (he once set a world record).

•OL **Brett Neilon's** aunts were on the USC golf team (Kim Saiki from 1985-88, who played on the LPGA Tour, and Laura Saiki from 1988-91).

•OL **Brandon Pili's** sister, Alissa, was on the USC women's basketball team (she was the 2020 Pac-12 Freshman of the Year) in 2020-22 and now is at Utah.

•OL **Jamar Sekona's** uncle is Haloti Ngata, who played defensive line at Oregon (2003-05, earning All-American honors in 2005) and in the NFL with the Baltimore Ravens (2006-14, including on the XLVII Super Bowl champs), Detroit Lions (2015-17) and Philadelphia Eagles (2018).

•WR **Ty Shamblin's** father, BJ, was a wide receiver at UC Santa Barbara in the early 1990s.

•RUSH **Devan Thompkins'** uncle, Larry Grant, played linebacker City College of San Francisco (he was the 2005 NJCAA Defensive Player of the Year), at Ohio State (2006-07) and in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers (2008, 2011-12), St. Louis Rams (2008-10), Chicago Bears (2013) and Cleveland Browns (2013). He then was is a defensive analyst at UNLV and now is coaching at UC Davis.

RUSH **Solomon Tuliapupu's** father, Turnbull, was an offensive lineman at Southern Utah (2000-01).

•SNP **Nathan Weneta's** brother, Jay, was a long snapper at UCLA (2011-12).

•DB **Max Williams'** brother, Macen, is a redshirt sophomore defensive back at Arizona State.

•TE **Jude Wolfe's** father, Mark, played football at Western Michigan (1977-80), his brother, Jakob, was a tight end at Stony Brook (2014), his sister, Jacqueline, played volleyball at Hawaii Pacific (2015) and his cousin, Ryan Gutierrez, was a safety at California (2001-04).

•DB **Ceyair Wright's** father, Claudius Wright, was a cornerback at Arizona and then with the World League of American Football's Amsterdam (1996) and London (1997) franchises, while his cousin, Darick Holmes, was a running back at Portland State and then in the NFL with the Buffalo Bills (1995-98), Green Bay Packers (1998) and Indianapolis Colts (1999) and another cousin, Darnay Holmes, was a cornerback at UCLA (2017-19) who is now with the New York Giants.

•Head coach **Lincoln Riley's** brother, Garrett, is the offensive coordinator at TCU after previously coaching at SMU, Appalachian State, Kansas, East Carolina and Augustana College and playing quarterback at Texas Tech and Stephen F. Austin.



• Inside receivers coach **Luke Huard's** brothers, Damon and Brock, were quarterbacks at Washington and in the NFL. Damon played at Washington (1991-95), including on UW's 1991 national champions, and then with the Miami Dolphins (1997-2000), New England Patriots (2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII champs), and Kansas City Chiefs (2004-08), and now is director of community and external relations and special advisor to the athletic director at Washington as well as an analyst on Husky football radio broadcasts. Brock played at Washington (1995-98), then with the Seattle Seahawks (1999-2001, 2004) and Indianapolis Colts (2002-03) and now is a college football analyst for FOX Sports and a sports radio host in Seattle. His father, Mike, was inducted into the Washington State Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1998 and the Pacific Northwest Football Hall of Fame in 2011 after 17 seasons as the head coach at Puyallup High, winning the state title in 1987. His nephew, Sam, is a redshirt freshman quarterback at Washington, while his niece, Haley, is a sophomore guard on Montana's basketball team. His sister-in-law, Molly, played basketball at Washington (1995-99).

• Defensive line coach **Shaun Nua's** cousin, Ianeta Le'i, played softball (first base) for 4 seasons (2003-06) at BYU, where she was a 3-time All-American and then served as an assistant coach (2007-13). His cousin, Futi Tavana, was a middle blocker on BYU's men's volleyball team (2009-12), where he was a 2-time All-American first teamer (2011-12) and then played for the USA National Team (2012-16). His cousin, Devin Tavana, was an offensive lineman at Southern Utah (2010-11).

• Inside linebackers coach and associate head coach for defense **Brian Odom's** brother, Barry, was the head football coach at Missouri (2016-19) and now is Arkansas' defensive coordinator.

• Offensive graduate assistant **Conner McQueen's** father, Mark, was a quarterback at Texas A&M in 1981 and 1982. His grandfather, Bob McQueen, played football at Tulsa and is in the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame after winning 17 district titles and 2 state championships as the head coach at Mexia (Tex.) and Temple (Tex.) Highs (he also was an assistant at SMU).

• Defensive graduate assistant **Peyton Pelluer's** father, Scott, was a linebacker at Washington State (1977-80) and with the New Orleans Saints (1981-86), then was an assistant coach at Boise State (1986-92), Northern Arizona (1993-95), Washington (1996-98, 2003-04), Skyline High (2000) and Arizona (2001-02). His brother, Tyler, was a linebacker at Montana (2005-08), and another brother, Cooper, was a linebacker and fullback at Washington (2010-12). His great grandfather, Carl Gustafson, was a flanker at Washington State (1925-27). His grandfather, Arnie, was an end at Washington State (1953-55) and then coached track at Yakima Valley College, Whitworth and Eastern Washington. His uncle, Steve, was a quarterback at Washington (1981-83) and with the Dallas Cowboys (1984-88), Kansas City Chiefs (1989-91), Winnipeg Blue Bombers (1995) and Frankfurt Galaxy (1996-97). Another uncle, Arnie, was a linebacker at Stanford (1985-89). His brother-in-law is Tosh Lupoi, who played defensive line at California (2000-05) and has been an assistant coach at California (2008-11), Washington (2012-13), Alabama (2014-18), Cleveland Browns (2019), Atlanta Falcons (2020), Jacksonville Jaguars (2021) and Oregon (2022).

• Assistant director of player personnel **Drew Fox's** father, Derrick, is the president/CEO of the Alamo Bowl.

••• When Quincy Watts was named USC's director of track and field and cross country in June of 2021, he became the third former Trojan football player to be USC's head track coach. Watts, more noted as a 2-time gold medalist (400 meters and 1600-meter relay) at the 1992 Olympics, was a wide receiver on the 1990 USC football team (he didn't get into a game). Jess Hill and Jess Mortensen (who both lettered in football as running backs in 1928 and 1929, including on the 1928 national champs) guided the Trojan tracksters; Hill did so in 1949-50 and in 1962 (winning 2 NCAA titles), while Mortensen did so from 1951 to 1961 (getting 7 NCAA crowns).

••• USC Athletics has reached an agreement with Stay Doubted, a modern-day media agency empowering the next generation of student-athletes and fans, to provide enhanced NIL services to its student-athletes. Stay Doubted has managed over \$63 million in sports partnerships, including more than \$1 million in collegiate athlete partnerships in the first year of the NIL era. It also has an impressive client roster in the brand partnerships space, having worked with companies such as Amazon, Microsoft, State Farm, Verizon, lululemon, and many others. Stay Doubted has established a subsidiary, BLVD LLC., which will operate as an agency and media company that will exclusively serve USC student-athletes to assist with the development of NIL opportunities. All USC student-athletes will have the opportunity to voluntarily opt-in to non-exclusive NIL representation through BLVD. The student-athletes will sign their own industry-standard representation agreements with BLVD. The university will not be a party to those agreements, nor will it receive any share of revenue from student-athlete NIL endeavors. While BLVD will provide its services exclusively to USC student-athletes, those student-athletes may also supplement their BLVD representation with other professional service providers. All BLVD activities will be conducted in a manner consistent with California state laws, NCAA rules, and the USC Athletics Student-Athlete Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) Policy. Through its ser-

vices, BLVD will assist with the development of NIL opportunities for USC student-athletes, including sponsorships, group licensing, promotions and events, and merchandising. All USC student-athletes who voluntarily opt-in to BLVD representation will be equipped with digital "media kits," which will be available online and showcase the student-athlete's brand, social media accounts, and key social media metrics. BLVD will also operate as a student athlete-driven media company to tell the stories of USC's student-athletes by creating original content that will be published across multiple BLVD media platforms. Additionally, through their agreements with BLVD, USC student-athletes will have independent access to other essential NIL resources in the areas of accounting, banking, investing, taxes, and legal.

••• As its student-athletes prepare to capitalize on their name, image and likeness, USC Athletics announced a new partnership in June with leading NIL advisory and education firm Altius Sports Partners to provide strategic guidance, consultation, and wide-ranging educational support in creating the school's NIL program, which will benefit all 21 Trojan men's and women's sports programs and 550-plus student-athletes. Initially, a central component of the partnership included developing a comprehensive education plan to support the program's staff, coaches and student-athletes. USC and ASP's cross-disciplinary team of NIL experts collaborated on educational programming related to several key elements of the upcoming NIL implementation, such as rules and regulatory awareness, revenue opportunity maximization, recruiting best practices, and gender equity and social justice implications, among other considerations related to empowering student-athletes. As the NCAA, congressional, and state legislative processes evolve, the partnership with ASP and its specific NIL focus will allow USC to be agile in response to a new and rapidly changing environment. Long-term, ASP will play a central role in strengthening USC's NIL plan.

••• In February, USC two-time All-American offensive tackle Tony Boselli, a College Football Hall of Famer who twice was the NFL Lineman of the Year, was named to the 8-member 2022 Pro Football Hall of Fame class. He is the 14th Trojan player—the most of any school—in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. He was enshrined in ceremonies on Aug. 6 in Canton, Ohio.

••• The Trojan Athletic Fund, founded in 1923, provides the funding necessary to sustain USC's athletic excellence. The TAF motto is "Investing In Today's Champions and Tomorrow's Leaders." TAF members form a global group of more than 5,000 alumni, parents, former student-athletes and friends who directly contribute to the success of our student-athletes. TAF members who join the Trojan Club, Cardinal & Gold, Women of Troy, Cardinal & Gold Premier, Committee or Scholarship Club receive a variety of benefits and event invitations. For more information, go to: <http://www.trojanathleticfund.com>.

••• USC Gameday is the official app for fans following the Trojans. The free app for iOS and Android devices is available for download on iTunes and Google Play. Among the app's features: customized sport selection, countdown to the next games, schedules and scores, live stats (for football and basketball), USC Athletics' social media links, USC Fan Shop and USC videos and photos. The app also incorporates information about USC teams, including rosters, biographical, statistical and historical information and exclusive videos, as well as a virtual tour of USC's athletic facilities, including the McKay Center and the Coliseum. USC merchandise and tickets also are available for purchase within the app, which has new video and elements added throughout the year.

## IN THE NFL

• Fourteen former Trojan players are in the Pro Football Hall of Fame (most of any school).

• A Trojan has appeared in all but 8 of the 56 Super Bowls and Trojans have been selected to play in the Pro Bowl 242 times.

• USC is second behind Notre Dame's 522 for most NFL draft picks (516). USC and Michigan are the only schools with a draftee every year since 1939. There have been 525 USC players who have played in the NFL or its sister leagues.

• USC (84) is second behind Ohio State (87) for most first round NFL draft picks. USC is tied with Notre Dame and Oklahoma for most players selected as the top pick in the NFL draft (5).

• Going into 2022 training camp, there were 36 ex-Trojans on NFL rosters.

• In 2021, there were 23 Trojans on opening day NFL rosters (since records were available, USC has been No. 1 in 20 of the last 45 years).

• Among USC's current NFLers are QB Sam Darnold, RB Ronald Jones II, WRs Robert Woods, JuJu Smith-Schuster, Nelson Agholor, Drake London and Michael Pittman Jr., LBs Devon Kennard and Uchenna Nwosu, DBs Adoree' Jackson and Talanoa Hufanga, DLs Leonard Williams, Rasheem Green and Antwaun Woods and OLs Tyron Smith and Austin Jackson.

• Two NFL head coaches have USC ties (as former coaches): Seattle's Pete Carroll (Super Bowl XLVIII champion) and Arizona's Kliff Kingsbury.



•Eleven current USC players have relatives with NFL playing backgrounds: DB **Ceyair Wright** (uncle, Mazio Royster, cousins Darick and Darnay Holmes), DB **Micah Croom** (brother, Larry Jr.), DL **Tuli Tuipulotu** (brother, Marlon, and cousins, Talanoa Hufanga and Fili Moala), WR **John Jackson III** (father, John Jr.), DL **Jamar Sekona** (uncle, Haloti Ngata), ILB **Ralen Goforth** (brother, Randall). DB **Mekhi Blackmon** (cousin, KeeSean Johnson, was a wide receiver for the Arizona Cardinals [2019] and now the Philadelphia Eagles [2021-22]). RB **Travis Dye** (brother, Troy, is with the Minnesota Vikings [2020-21]). His brother, Tony, played with the Cincinnati Bengals [2012-13]. WR **Brenden Rice** (father is legendary Pro Football Hall of Fame wide receiver Jerry Rice, who played for the San Francisco 49ers [1985-2000], where he was on 3 Super Bowl champions (MVP in XXIII, plus XXIV, XXIX), Oakland Raiders [2001-04], Seattle Seahawks [2004] and Denver Broncos [2004] and set NFL records for career receptions [1,549], receiving yards [22,895] and receiving touchdowns [197]). His stepfather, Rick Cunningham, was an offensive lineman in the NFL with the Indianapolis Colts [1990], Phoenix/Arizona Cardinals [1992-094], Minnesota Vikings [1995], Oakland Raiders [1996-98] and in the CFL with the Montreal Alouettes [2000, 2002] and Edmonton Eskimos [2001-02]).

•Assistant coach **Donte Williams'** cousin, Kris Richard, played in the NFL. Assistant coach **Luke Huard's** brother Damon played with the Miami Dolphins [1997-2000], New England Patriots [2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII champs], and Kansas City Chiefs [2004-08]. His brother Brock played with the Seattle Seahawks [1999-2001, 2004] and Indianapolis Colts [2002-03]. Defensive graduate assistant **Peyton Pelluer's** father, Scott, played with the New Orleans Saints [1981-86]. His uncle, Steve, was a quarterback with the Dallas Cowboys [1984-88], Kansas City Chiefs [1989-91], Winnipeg Blue Bombers [1995] and Frankfurt Galaxy [1996-97]. His brother-in-law, Tosh Lupoi, has been an assistant coach at the Cleveland Browns [2019], the Atlanta Falcons [2020] and the Jacksonville Jaguars [2021].

•Two of USC's assistant coaches played pro football. Assistant coach **Roy Manning** played 3 years in the NFL with the Green Bay Packers [2005] Houston Texans [2006], Buffalo Bills [2006], Jacksonville Jaguars [2007] and Cincinnati Bengals [2007]. Assistant coach **Shaun Nua** played 4 seasons [2005-08] in the NFL, the first 3 with the Pittsburgh Steelers and 2008 with the Buffalo Bills. He was a member of the Steelers' Super Bowl XL-winning team in 2006.

#### ANNIVERSARIES

•The 2022 season marks the the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of USC's 1972 National Championship Team.

•The 1972 national champions averaged 39 points per game and never trailed in the second half. In going 12-0-0, the Trojans scored 467 points, second most in school history. The defense intercepted 28 passes, limited their opponents to 2.5 yards per rush, and never gave up a run longer than 29 yards.

The roster was a perfect blend of talent, youth, and experience. Senior Mike Rae and sophomore Pat Haden handled the quarterback duties. Sophomore Anthony Davis rushed for 1,191 yards despite not starting until the eighth game. All-American fullback Sam "Bam" Cunningham was an outstanding blocker and a tremendous leaper, especially in goal-line situations. Tight end Charles Young was equally adept blocking and receiving, while split ends Lynn Swann, Edesel Garrison and J.K. McKay were excellent pass catchers.

The defense was fast and strong. Sophomore linebacker Richard Wood burst onto the scene with 18 tackles in the season-opener on his way to garnering All-American honors. John Grant and Jeff Winans anchored the defensive line, while Artimus Parker, Charles Phillips and Charles Hinton led the secondary.

USC's smallest margin of victory was nine points (versus Stanford). The Trojans beat No. 4-ranked Arkansas 31-10, No. 18 Washington 34-7, No. 14 UCLA 24-7, No.10 Notre Dame 45-23 and No. 3 Ohio State 42-17. USC was unanimously chosen No. 1 in the final AP and UPI polls, the first team to be so honored.

The 1972 team is considered to be John McKay's finest at USC and one of the greatest college teams of all time.

- 1922--100th anniversary of USC's first Rose Bowl team
- 1932--90th anniversary of USC's undefeated 1932 national champs
- 1962--60th anniversary of USC's undefeated 1962 national champs
- Also, 75 and 70 years ago were USC Rose Bowl teams and 20 years ago was an Orange Bowl team

#### ACADEMICS

•The USC football team posted an NCAA Academic Progress Rate of 975, the program's all-time high and the fourth consecutive year with at least a 970 APR, according to data released by the NCAA in June of 2022. The 975 exceeded the national average. A team's APR accounts for eligibility, retention and graduation to generate a measure of academic performance of each student-athlete on scholarship. The APR is a multiyear rate based on scores from the 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 academic years. USC Athletics' 21-team multiyear APR of 988 was the eighth ranking in a row that Troy hit an all-time high.

•The Trojan football team posted a NCAA Graduation Success Rate of 81%, according to data released by the NCAA in December of 2021. Compared to their initial rates in 2005, football's current 81% rate is 26 percentage points higher. The GSR measures how many players in the classes of 2011-14 graduated within 6 years of enrollment. USC Athletics' overall GSR in 2021 was at 92%, an all-time high for the eighth consecutive year.

•Twenty-four Trojans [22% of the roster] have cumulative grade point averages of 3.00 or higher, including 5 with GPAs above 3.50 (through spring 2022 semester). Among the top scholars on the 2022 Trojan squad are: SNP **Nathan Weneta** (3.88, philosophy, politics and economics), ILB **Julien Simon** (3.87, communication), QB **Miller Moss** (3.81, law, history and culture), DL **Nick Figueroa** (3.57 master's of finance), WR **Josiah Zamora** (3.57, law, history and culture), WR **Ty Shamblin** (3.48 business administration, minor hip, street and social dance forms), WR **Danny Ryan** (3.45 real estate development), OL **Jonah Monheim** (3.40, business administration), PK **Alex Stadthaus** (3.36, communication), DB **Prophet Brown** (3.35, communication), DB **L Simpson** (3.33, sociology), WR **Grant Zane** (3.33, business administration), QB **Mo Hasan** (3.28, master's in applied psychology), QB **Isaac Ward** (3.28, American popular culture), WR **Kyron Hudson** (3.27, undeclared), RB **Matt Colombo** (3.26, business administration), ILB **Chris Thompson Jr.** (3.25, business administration), OL **Joe Bryson** (3.22, communication), OL **Brett Neilon** (3.2, master's in entrepreneurship), WR **Tahj Washington** (3.17, economics), WR **Kyle Ford** (3.16, communication), RUSH **Solomon Tuliapupu** (3.16, business administration), TE **Lake McRee** (3.13, communication), DB **Ceyair Wright** (3.00, undeclared).

•OL **Jonah Monheim**, QB **Miller Moss**, WR **Danny Ryan**, WR **Ty Shamblin**, ILB **Julien Simon**, PK **Alex Stadthaus** and SNP **Nathan Weneta** made the 2021 Pac-12 Academic Honor Roll.

•Thirteen Trojans have already earned their bachelor's degrees. DL **Sinjun Astani** earned his bachelor's degree in communication from San Jose State in December of 2021, and is working on his master's. DL **Solomon Byrd** earned his bachelor's degree in American studies from Wyoming in 2022, and is working on his master's. DB **Mekhi Blackmon** earned his bachelor's degree from Colorado in 2021 and is working on his master's degree in gerontology. WR **Terrell Bynum** earned his bachelor's degree from Washington in 2021 and is working on his master's degree in gerontology. DB **Micah Croom** earned his bachelor's degree in political science from Dartmouth in the spring of 2020 and now is working on his master's degree in communication management. OL **Justin Dedich** earned his bachelor's degree in human biology in the fall of 2021 and is working on his master's degree in public health. TE **Malcolm Epps** earned his bachelor's degree in human dimension of organization from Texas in 2021 and is working on his master's degree in gerontology. DL **Nick Figueroa** earned his bachelor's degree in real estate development in spring 2021, and is now working on his master's in finance. QB **Mo Hasan** received his bachelor's degree in economics and history from Vanderbilt in 2020 and now is working on his master's degree in entrepreneurship and innovation. OL **Bobby Haskins** earned his bachelor's degree in 2021 from Virginia and is working on his master's degree in gerontology. ILB **Shane Lee** earned his bachelor's degree from Alabama and is working on his master's degree in gerontology. OL **Brett Neilon** earned his bachelor's degree in business administration in the fall of 2020, and is working on his master's in entrepreneurship and innovation. OL **Andrew Vorhees** received his bachelor's degree in business administration at USC in the spring of 2019 and now is working on his master's degree in communications management/sociology.

•In its history, USC football has produced 22 Academic All-American first teamers (tied for tops in the Pac-12 and among the Top 10 in the nation), 20 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners, 13 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes, 7 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award winners, 4 NCAA Today's Top 10 winners, 1 Rhodes Scholar (Pat Haden) and 2 Academic All-American Hall of Famers (Haden and Dick Nunis).

#### OTHER USC SPORTS IN SATURDAY ACTION

•The **USC men's water polo team**, runnerup at the 2021 NCAA tourney, will face off against 2 teams on Saturday (Sept. 10) at the 2022 Inland Empire Classic: Claremont-Mudd-Scripps at 10:30 a.m. PT and Pomona-Pitzer at 1 p.m. PT.

•The **USC women's volleyball team** took a tropical trip to Honolulu, Hawaii to challenge the Rainbow Wahine on Saturday (Sept. 10) at 10 p.m. PT.

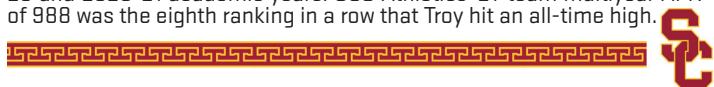
#### NEXT GAME

•After the Pac-12 conference opener at Stanford, USC returns home to take on Fresno State under the lights of the Coliseum on Sept. 17 at 7:30 p.m. PT on FOX.

#### ROSTER UPDATES

Here are updates to the roster in the 2022 USC football media guide:

- Player Addition: P **Aadyn Sleep-Dalton** has joined the team and wears No. 42
- Number change: QB **Mo Hasan** is now No. 15. ILB **Clyde Moore** is now No. 35.



# 2022 SQUAD BREAKDOWNS

## Experience Breakdown

Head coach **Lincoln Riley** continues to say that “this is the most unique roster in the history of USC football”...and he’s correct! Following is a breakdown of the 2022 USC football team. Players listed in CAPITAL LETTERS were 2021 starters [with number of starts in parentheses]. Players with a “^ [x]” were 2021 co-starters [with number of starts in parentheses]. Players with a “# [x]” were 2021 part-time starters [with number of starts in parentheses]. Players with a “\*” were 2021 lettermen.

### RETURNING SQUADMEN (71)

#### OFFENSE (20)

Darwin Barlow, RB\* # [1]  
**GARY BRYANT JR**, WR\*^ [7]  
 Justin Dedich, OL\* # [4]  
 Malcolm Epps, TE\*^ [5]  
 Josh Falo, TE  
**COURTLAND FORD**, OL\* [9]  
 Kyle Ford, WR\*  
 Kyron Hudson, WR  
 John Jackson III, WR\*  
 Michael Jackson III, WR\* # [1]  
 Sean Mahoney, TE\*  
 Lake McRee, TE\* # [1]  
 Andrew Milek, OL\*  
 Jonah Monheim, OL\* # [7]  
 Miller Moss, QB\*  
**BRETT NEILON**, OL\* [12]  
 Jason Rodriguez, OL  
**ANDREW VORHEES**, OL\* [12]  
**TAHJ WASHINGTON**, WR\*^ [11]  
 Jude Wolfe, TE\* # [1]

#### DEFENSE (27)

Xavion Alford, DB\* # [2]  
 Briton Allen, DB  
 Anthony Beavers Jr., DB  
 De’jon Benton, OL\*  
 Prophet Brown, DB\* # [1]  
 Calen Bullock, DB\* # [6]  
 Micah Croom, ILB\*  
 Raesjon Davis, DB\*  
 Nick Figueroa, OL\* # [5]  
 Korey Foreman, RUSH\*  
**RALEN GOFORTH**, ILB\* [8]  
 Xamarion Gordon, DB\*  
 Joshua Jackson Jr., DB\* # [2]  
 Colin Mobley, DL  
 Clyde Moore, ILB\*  
 Tuasivi Normura, ILB\*  
 Adonis Otey, CB  
 Kobe Pepe, DL  
 Brandon Pili, DL  
 Jamar Sekona, DL\* # [1]  
 Julien Simon, ILB  
 Jaylin Smith, DB\* # [1]  
**STANLEY TA’UFO’OU**, OL\* [9]  
 Chris Thompson Jr., DB\* # [12]  
**TULI TUIPULOTU**, DL\* [12]  
 Max Williams, DB  
 Ceyair Wright, DB\*

#### SPECIAL TEAMS (1)

ALEX STADTHAUS, PK\* # [7]

#### NON-PLAYING SQUADMEN (23)

Joe Bryson, OL  
 Jac Casasante, SNP  
 Matt Colombo, RB  
 Andres Dewerk, OL  
 Mo Hasan, QB  
 Tayler Katoa, ILB  
 AJ Mageo, OL  
 Michael McAllister, P  
 Denis Lynch, P  
 Mason Murphy, OL  
 Brandon Outlaw, RB  
 Gino Quinones, OL  
 Ethan Rae, TE  
 Will Rose, P  
 Danny Ryan, WR  
 Ty Shamblin, WR  
 L Simpson, DB  
 Caadyn Stephen, OL  
 Solomon Tuipulotu, ILB  
 Isaac Ward, QB  
 Nathan Weneta, SNP  
 Josiah Zamora, WR  
 Grant Zane, WR

## SPRING 2022 ENROLLEES/ADDITIONS (17)

#### OFFENSE (8)

Terrell Bynum, WR  
 Travis Dye, RB  
 Bobby Haskins, OL  
 Austin Jones, RB  
 Brenden Rice, WR  
 Caleb Williams, QB  
 CJ Williams, WR  
 Mario Williams, WR

#### DEFENSE (8)

Earl Barquet Jr., DL  
 Mekhi Blackmon, DB  
 Romello Height, RUSH  
 Domani Jackson, DB  
 Daniel Jimenez-Fulton, DB  
 Shane Lee, ILB  
 Latrell McCutchin, DB  
 Tyrone Taleni, DL

#### SPECIAL TEAMS (1)

Daniel Meunier, SNP

## SUMMER TRANSFERS (11)

#### OFFENSE (3)

Jordan Addison, WR  
 Jake Jensen, QB  
 Cooper Lovelace, OL

#### DEFENSE (6)

Sinjun Astani, DL  
 Solomon Byrd, DL  
 Jacobe Covington, DB  
 Eric Gentry, ILB  
 Bryson Shaw, DB  
 Carson Tabaracci, ILB

#### SPECIAL TEAMS (2)

Garth White, PK-P  
 Aadyn Sleep-Dalton (P)

## SUMMER ENROLLEE FRESHMEN (11)

#### OFFENSE (5)

Raleek Brown, RB  
 Kilian O’Connor, OL  
 Austin Overn, WR  
 Keegan Patterson, QB  
 Gage Roy, QB

#### DEFENSE (6)

Zion Branch, DB  
 Garrison Madden, ILB  
 Roman Marchetti, ILB  
 Garrett Pomerantz, RUSH  
 Fabian Ross, DB  
 Devan Thompkins, RUSH

## SQUADMEN LOST (54)

#### OFFENSE (29)

Brad Aoki, QB  
 Ty Buchanan, OL  
 Brandon Campbell, RB\*  
 Kenan Christon, RB  
 Casey Collier, OL  
 Brenden Costello, QB  
 Jaxson Dart, QB\* # [3]  
 Liam Douglass, OL\*  
 Maximus Gibbs, OL\*  
 Kohl Hollinquest, TE\*  
**KEAONTAY INGRAM**, RB\*^ [7]  
**LIAM JIMMONS**, OL\* [12]  
 Grant Jones, TE\*  
 Quincy Jountti, RB\*  
**ERIK KROMMENHOEK**, TE\* [10]  
 Chase Locke, TE  
**DRAKE LONDON**, WR\* [8]  
 Damien Lopez, OL  
 Vavae Malepeai, RB\*^ [4]  
 Joseph Manjack IV, WR\*  
 Bru McCoy, WR  
 Jalen McKenzie, OL\* # [5]  
 K.D. Nixon, WR\*  
 Samuel Dram-Jones, RB  
**KEDON SLOVIS**, QB\* [9]  
 Jake Smith, WR  
 Michael Trigg, TE\* # [4]  
 Zach Wilson, WR  
 Mark Zuvich, OL

#### DEFENSE (22)

Hunter Echols, OLB\* # [3]  
 Peter Esparza, OLB  
 Juliano Falaniko, OLB\*  
 Spencer Gilbert, ILB\*  
 Dorian Hewett, DB  
**DRAKE JACKSON**, OLB\* [9]  
**GREG JOHNSON**, DB\* [9]  
 Jacob Lichtenstein, DL\* ^ [8]  
 Danny Lockhart Jr., ILB  
 Kaulana Makaula, ILB\*  
**KANA’I MAUGA**, ILB\* [12]  
 Tommy Maurice, DB  
 Brandon Outlaw, WR  
**ISAIAH POLA-MAO**, DB\* [9]  
 Raymond Scott, ILB\* # [3]  
 Ishmael Sopsher, DL  
**CHRIS STEELE**, DB\* [11]  
**ISAAC TAYLOR-STUART**, DB\* [10]  
 Maninoa Tufono, DL  
**CHASE WILLIAMS**, DB\* [9]  
 Jayden Williams, DB\*  
 Eli’jah Winston, ILB\*

#### SPECIAL TEAMS (3)

BEN GRIFFITHS, P\* [12]  
**DAMON JOHNSON**, SNP\* [12]  
**PARKER LEWIS**, PK\* [10]



## CLASS BREAKDOWN

### SENIORS (27)

Sinjun Astani\*  
Mekhi Blackmon\*  
Joe Bryson\*  
Terrell Bynum\*  
Solomon Byrd\*  
Jac Casasante\*  
Micah Croom\*  
Justin Dedich\*  
Travis Dye\*  
Malcolm Epps\*  
Josh Faló\*  
Nick Figueroa\*  
Ralen Goforth  
Mo Hasan\*  
Bobby Haskins\*  
John Jackson III  
Austin Jones  
Tayler Katoa\*  
Shane Lee  
AJ Mageo\*  
Brett Neilon\*  
Brandon Outlaw  
Brandon Pili\*  
Alex Stadthaus\*  
Tyrone Taleni  
Solomon Tuliaupupu\*  
Andrew Vorhees\*

### JUNIORS (26)

Jordan Addison  
Briton Allen\*  
Darwin Barlow\*  
Earl Barquet Jr.\*  
De'jon Benton\*  
Gary Bryant Jr.  
Kyle Ford\*  
Cooper Lovelace\*  
Sean Mahoney\*  
Daniel Meunier  
Clyde Moore\*  
Tuasivi Nomura\*  
Adonis Otey\*  
Gino Quinones\*  
Ethan Rae\*  
Brenden Rice  
Jason Rodriguez\*  
Will Rose\*  
Bryson Shaw\*  
Aadyn Sleep-Dalton  
Stanley Ta'ufo'ou\*  
Chris Thompson Jr.  
Tuli Tuipulotu  
Tahj Washington\*  
Max Williams\*  
Jude Wolfe\*

### SOPHOMORES (29)

Xavion Alford\*  
Calen Bullock  
Matt Colombo\*  
Jacobe Covington\*  
Raesjon Davis  
Andres Dewerk\*  
Courtland Ford\*  
Korey Foreman  
Eric Gentry  
Romello Height\*  
Joshua Jackson Jr.\*  
Michael Jackson III  
Jake Jensen  
Michael McAllister\*  
Latrell McCutchin  
Andrew Milek\*  
Jonah Monheim\*  
Kobe Pepe\*  
Danny Ryan\*  
Jamar Sekona\*  
Ty Shamblin\*  
L Simpson\*  
Jaylin Smith  
Caadyn Stephen\*  
Isaac Ward\*  
Nathan Weneta\*  
Garth White  
Caleb Williams  
Mario Williams

### FRESHMEN (28)

Anthony Beavers Jr.\*  
Zion Branch  
Prophet Brown\*  
Raleek Brown  
Xamarion Gordon\*  
Kyron Hudson\*  
Domani Jackson  
Daniel Jimenez-Fulton\*  
Denis Lynch\*  
Garrison Madden  
Roman Marchetti  
Lake McRee\*  
Colin Mobley\*  
Miller Moss\*  
Mason Murphy\*  
Kilian O'Connor  
Austin Overn  
Keegan Patterson  
Garrett Pomerantz  
Fabian Ross  
Gage Roy  
Julien Simon\*  
Carson Tabaracci  
Devan Thompkins  
CJ Williams  
Ceyair Wright\*  
Josiah Zamora\*  
Grant Zane\*

\*Redshirt year used

## GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN

(By hometown state/country)

### ALASKA (1)

Brandon Pili

### AUSTRALIA (1)

Aadyn Sleep-Dalton

### ARIZONA (5)

Jacobe Covington  
Daniel Jimenez-Fulton  
AJ Mageo  
Andrew Milek  
Brenden Rice

### CALIFORNIA (62)

Sinjun Astani  
Anthony Beavers Jr.  
De'jon Benton  
Mekhi Blackmon  
Prophet Brown  
Raleek Brown  
Gary Bryant Jr.  
Calen Bullock  
Terrell Bynum  
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Devan Thompkins  
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Solomon Tuliaupupu  
Andrew Vorhees  
Nathan Weneta  
Garth White  
CJ Williams  
Max Williams  
Jude Wolfe  
Ceyair Wright  
Josiah Zamora  
Grant Zane

## 2022 SQUAD BREAKDOWNS

### COLORADO (2)

Joe Bryson  
Keegan Patterson

### CONNECTICUT (1)

Bobby Haskins

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (2)

Colin Mobley  
Caleb Williams

### FLORIDA (3)

Briton Allen  
Mo Hasan  
Mario Williams

### GEORGIA (3)

Romello Height  
Garrison Madden  
Isaac Ward

### HAWAII (1)

Gino Quinones

### KANSAS (1)

Cooper Lovelace

### LOUISIANA (1)

Earl Barquet Jr.

### MARYLAND (3)

Jordan Addison  
Shane Lee  
Bryson Shaw

### NEVADA (4)

Zion Branch  
Michael Jackson III  
Garrett Pomerantz  
Fabian Ross

### NEW JERSEY (1)

Brandon Outlaw

### PENNSYLVANIA (1)

Eric Gentry

### TENNESSEE (1)

Adonis Otey

### TEXAS (11)

Xavion Alford  
Darwin Barlow  
Malcolm Epps  
Courtland Ford  
Xamarion Gordon  
Latrell McCutchin  
Lake McRee  
Gage Roy  
Alex Stadthaus  
Chris Thompson Jr.  
Tahj Washington

### UTAH (3)

Jake Jensen  
Tayler Katoa  
Carson Tabaracci

### WASHINGTON (2)

Julien Simon  
Caadyn Stephen

### WESTERN SAMOA (1)

Tyrone Taleni



**AADYN SLEEP-DALTON PUNTS**

GAME	PUNTS	WITHIN 20 (TOUCHBACKS)	50+ YARDS
Rice	1	0 (0)	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0 (0)</b>	<b>0</b>

**ALEX STADTHAUS KICKOFFS**

GAME	KICKOFFS	TOUCHBACKS
Rice	10	7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>

**USC IN NCAA/PAC-12 STAT RANKINGS (as of 9/4/22)**

NAME	CATEGORY	AVG	NCAA RANK*	PAC-12 RANK**
Denis Lynch	Field Goal Percentage	1.000	T1	1
Caleb Williams	Completion Percentage	.864	4	1
Shane Lee	Interceptions Per Game	1.0	T5	T2
Calen Bullock	Interceptions Per Game	1.0	T5	T2
Xamarion Gordon	Interceptions Per Game	1.0	T5	T2
Ralen Goforth	Interceptions Per Game	1.0	T5	T2
Caleb Williams	Passing Efficiency	211.44	7	1
Shane Lee	Total Interceptions	1	T9	T2
Calen Bullock	Total Interceptions	1	T9	T2
Xamarion Gordon	Total Interceptions	1	T9	T2
Ralen Goforth	Total Interceptions	1	T9	T2
Caleb Williams	Yards Per Pass Attempt	11.32	T1	2
Jordan Addison	Total Touchdowns	2	T20	T2
Austin Jones	Total Touchdowns	2	T20	T2
Jordan Addison	Scoring	12.0	T21	T3
Austin Jones	Scoring	12.0	T21	T3
Denis Lynch	Scoring	12.0	T21	T3
Caleb Williams	Total Offense	317.00	--	3
Caleb Williams	Pass Yards/Completion	13.11	--	5
USC	Defensive TDs	3	1	1
USC	Fumbles Lost	0	T1	1
USC	Passes Had Intercepted	0	T1	1
USC	Turnovers Lost	0	T1	1
USC	Turnover Margin	4.00	2	1
USC	Scoring Offense	66.0	3	1
USC	Passes Intercepted	4	T3	1
USC	Completion Pct.	.833	6	1
USC	Tackles for Loss Allowed	2.00	T6	1
USC	3rd Down Conv. Pct.	.714	7	1
USC	Turnovers Gained	4	T7	2
USC	Team Pass Eff. Defense	61.63	8	1
USC	Team Sacks	4.00	T9	2
USC	Punt Return Defense	0.0	12	2
USC	Team Passing Efficiency	197.73	13	2
USC	Passing Offense	333.0	T21	3
USC	Total Offense	538.0	23	2
USC	Passing Yards Allowed	134.0	24	5
USC	Team Tackles for Loss	8.0	T25	3
USC	Scoring Defense	14.0	--	4
USC	4th Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.333	--	4
USC	First Downs Defense	14	--	5
USC	First Downs Offense	27	--	3
USC	Passing Yards Per Completion	13.20	--	5
USC	Red Zone Defense	.667	--	5
USC	Rushing Offense	208.0	--	4
USC	Sacks Allowed	1.00	--	5

\*Top 25 only  
 \*\*Top 5 only

**RED ZONE PRODUCTION**

GAME	USC	OPPONENT
Rice	6-of-7 (TD, TD, TD, FG, TD, TD, end game)	2-of-3 (TD, INT, TD)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6-of-7 (0.857)</b>	<b>2-of-3 (.667)</b>
	5--TD	2--TD
	1--FG	1--INT
	1--end of game	

# PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

## PLAYERS

ALFORD, Xavion AL-ford, ZAY-vee-on  
 ALLEN, Briton BRIT-un  
 ASTANI, Sinjun uh-STAH-nee, SIN-jhin  
 BARQUET Jr., Earl bar-KWET  
 BENTON, De'jon BEN-tun, DAY-zjahn  
 BLACKMON, Mekhi muh-KYE  
 BRANCH, Zion ZAI-aan  
 BROWN, Prophet PRA-fet  
 BROWN, Raleek ruh-LEEK  
 BRYSON, Joe BRY-sun  
 BULLOCK, Calen bul-LOCK, CAY-lin  
 BYNUM, Terrell BAI-num, terr-ELL  
 BYRD, Solomon BIRD, SAUL-uh-mun  
 CASASANTE, Jac cass-uh-SOHN-tay, JACK  
 COLOMBO, Matt cuh-LUM-boe  
 COVINGTON, Jacobe kuh-VING-tun, juh- COE-bee  
 CROOM, Micah CROOM, MY-kuh  
 DAVIS, Raesjon DAY-vis, RAY-jhon  
 DEDICH, Justin DEED-itche  
 DEWERK, Andres duh-WORK, ON-drus  
 DYE, Travis DIE  
 EPPS, Malcolm EHPZ  
 FALO, Josh FALL-oe  
 FIGUEROA, Nick fig-uh-ROE-uh  
 FOREMAN, Korey FOR-mun, CORE-ee  
 GOFORTH, Ralen GOE-forth, RAY-lun  
 GORDON, Xamarion GORE-dun, zuh-MAR-ee-on  
 HASAN, Mo huh-SAHN  
 HUDSON, Kyron HUD-sun, KYE-ron  
 JACKSON, Domani do-MON-ee  
 JIMENEZ-FULTON, Daniel hee-MEN-ez-FULL-tun  
 KATOA, Tayler kuh-TOE-uh, TAY-lur  
 MAGEO, AJ mun-YAY-oe  
 MAHONEY, Sean muh-HO-nee  
 MARCHETTI, Roman mar-KEH-tee, ROE-min  
 McCALLISTER, Michael muh-CAL-us-tur  
 McCUTCHIN, Latrell luh-TRELL  
 McREE, Lake muh-CREE  
 MEUNIER, Daniel moon-YAY (like say)  
 MILEK, Andrew MILL-ick  
 MOBLEY, Colin MOE-blee, CALL-un

MONHEIM, Jonah  
 NEILON, Brett  
 NOMURA, Tuasivi  
 O'CONNOR, Kilian  
 OTEY, Adonis  
 PATTERSON, Keegan  
 PEPE, Kobe  
 PILI, Brandon  
 POMERANTZ, Garrett  
 QUINONES, Gino  
 RAE, Ethan  
 RODRIGUEZ, Jason  
 ROSS, Fabian  
 SEKONA, Jamar  
 SHAMBLIN, Ty  
 SHAW, Bryson  
 SIMON, Julien  
 SLEEP-DALTON, Aadyne  
 SMITH, Jaylin  
 STADTHAUS, Alex  
 STEPHEN, Caadyne  
 TABARACCI, Carson  
 TALENI, Tyrone  
 TA'UFO'DU, Stanley  
 THOMPSON, Devan  
 TUIPULOTU, Tuli  
 TULIAUPUPU, Solomon  
 VORHEES, Andrew  
 WASHINGTON, Tahj  
 WENETA, Nathan  
 WILLIAMS, Jayden  
 WOLFE, Jude  
 WRIGHT, Ceyair  
 ZAMORA, Josiah

MAHN-hime, JOE-nuh  
 NEE-lawn  
 no-MUR-uh, too-ah-SEE-vee  
 kil-EE-uhn  
 OE-tay, uh-DON-is  
 KEE-guhn  
 PEP-pay, COE-bee  
 PEE-lee  
 POM-er-ants  
 cue-NOE-nez, GEE-noe  
 RAY  
 rod-REE-guz  
 FAY-bee-uhn  
 suh-COE-nuh, juh-MAR  
 SHAM-blin  
 BRY-sun  
 SY-mun, JEW-lee-un  
 AY-duhn  
 SMITH, JAY-lun  
 STAD-house  
 STEEV-un, KAY-dun  
 tah-buh-RAH-chee  
 tuh-LEEN-ee  
 tau-FOE-oh  
 DEV-un  
 TOO-ee-poo-LOE-too, TOO-lee  
 too-lee-ow-POO-poo, SAUL-uh-mun  
 VORE-heez  
 WASH-ing-ton, TAWJ  
 wuh-NET-uh  
 WIL-yums, JAY-din  
 WULF  
 RITE, see-AIR  
 zuh-MORE-uh, joe-ZYE-uh

## COACHES

HUARD, Luke  
 McDONALD, Kiel  
 NUA, Shaun  
 WILLIAMS, Donte  
 WYLIE, Bennie

YOU-erd  
 KYLE  
 NOO-uh  
 WIL-yums, DON-tay  
 BEN-ee

## TROJANS IN THE NFL (29)

(As of 9/4/22)

ARIZONA CARDINALS  
 \*Keanu Ingram, RB  
 %Devon Kennard, LB  
 %Antwaun Woods, DT  
 ATLANTA FALCONS  
 %Chuma Edoga, T  
 \*Drake London, WR  
 BALTIMORE RAVENS  
 %Kevon Seymour, CB  
 BUFFALO BILLS  
 %Matt Barkley, QB  
 CAROLINA PANTHERS  
 +Sam Darnold, QB  
 CINCINNATI BENGALS  
 Jay Tufele, DT  
 %Marvell Tell III, DB  
 DALLAS COWBOYS  
 Tyron Smith, T  
 DENVER BRONCOS  
 %\*Kana'i Mauga, LB  
 DETROIT LIONS  
 Amon-Ra St. Brown, WR  
 HOUSTON TEXANS  
 Rasheem Green, DL  
 INDIANAPOLIS COLTS  
 Michael Pittman Jr., WR  
 KANSAS CITY CHIEFS  
 Ronald Jones II, RB  
 JuJu Smith-Schuster, WR

LAS VEGAS RAIDERS  
 \*Isaiah Pola-Mao, S  
 MIAMI DOLPHINS  
 Austin Jackson, T  
 %Porter Gustin, DE  
 NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS  
 Nelson Agholor, WR  
 NEW YORK GIANTS  
 Adoree' Jackson, DB  
 Leonard Williams, DL  
 NEW YORK JETS  
 Alijah Vera-Tucker, OL  
 PHILADELPHIA EAGLES  
 Marlon Tuipulotu, DT  
 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS  
 Talanoa Hufanga, S  
 \*Drake Jackson, LB  
 SEATTLE SEAHAWKS  
 Uchenna Nwosu, LB  
 TENNESSEE TITANS  
 Robert Woods, WR

\*2022 Rookie  
 +Injured Reserve  
 %Practice Squad







# LINCOLN RILEY

**4 Big 12 Championships • 3 College Football Playoff Appearances  
2 Heisman Trophy Winners Coached • 2018 Big 12 Coach Of The Year**

Lincoln Riley, one of college football's most successful young coaches who won 85 percent of his games in five seasons at Oklahoma and led the Sooners to four Big 12 titles and four New Year's Six bowls with three College Football Playoff appearances, was named the head coach at USC, athletic director Mike Bohn announced on Nov. 28, 2021.

The 38-year-old Riley posted a 55-10 overall record in his five years (2017-21) at Oklahoma for an impressive .846 winning percentage. His Sooners were 37-7 (.841) in league play and won Big 12 championships in his first four years there as he became the first person to win outright Football Bowl Subdivision conference crowns in each of his first four seasons as a collegiate head coach. He set Oklahoma records for most victories in his first two (24), three (36) and four (45) seasons, breaking marks held by Barry Switzer and Bob Stoops.

After serving as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for two of the most prolific offenses in OU's history, Riley took over as the Sooners' head coach in 2017 when Stoops retired. He was the youngest FBS head coach (33) at the time of his hiring. He also coached the OU quarterbacks and called the offensive plays while serving as head coach, running a balanced offensive attack.

Riley led his initial Oklahoma squad to a 12-2 overall record in 2017, becoming just the fifth FBS coach with no previous head coaching experience at a four-year college to win at least 12 games in his debut season. The Sooners won the Big 12 title by going 8-1, played in the CFP semifinal in the Rose Bowl and finished third in the final AP poll. Quarterback Baker Mayfield won the Heisman Trophy that season, along with the Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Manning, Walter Camp Player of the Year and AP Player of the Year Awards, and was the No. 1 pick of the 2018 NFL Draft. Tight end Mark Andrews won the 2017 Mackey Award.

Oklahoma was again 12-2 overall and 8-1 while winning the Big 12 championships in 2018 and 2019. He was the Big 12 Co-Coach of the Year in 2018. Quarterback Kyler Murray won the 2018 Heisman Trophy, O'Brien Award and Manning Award, was the AP Player of the Year and was the No. 1 selection in the 2020 NFL Draft, while quarterback Jalen Hurts was the Heisman runner-up in 2019. The Sooners appeared in the Orange Bowl in 2018 and Peach Bowl in 2019, both CFP semifinals. OU was fourth in the final AP poll in 2018 and seventh in 2019.

In the COVID-impacted 2020 season, Oklahoma went 9-2 overall, won the Big 12 at 6-2, beat Florida in the Cotton Bowl and was sixth in the final AP poll.

In 2021, the Sooners were 10-2 in the regular season (Riley did not coach OU in the Alamo Bowl), tied for second in the Big 12 standings at 7-2 and were ranked 10th by AP.

Riley spent 2015 and 2016 as Oklahoma's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. He won the Broyles Award as the nation's top assistant coach in 2015 when his offense ranked seventh nationally in total offense. In 2016, receiver Dede Westbrook won the Biletnikoff Award and was fourth in the Heisman voting, while running back Joe Mixon set the OU season all-purpose yardage record (2,331 yards) and fellow running back Samaje Perine set the school career rushing mark (4,122 yards).

Riley came to Oklahoma after five seasons (2010-14) as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at East Carolina. He added the title of assistant head coach in 2014. The Pirates, running a spread offensive scheme, set more than 50 team and individual school offensive records during his time there. His squads had the top five passing seasons in school history and top four total offense marks. In 2014, ECU set a school season mark with 6,929 yards of total offense. East Carolina appeared in the national Top 10 in such categories as passing and scoring offense, third down conversion percentage and red zone scoring efficiency.

His Pirate wide receivers Justin Hardy and Zay Jones became the most productive pass catchers in FBS history. Hardy caught an NCAA record 387 career passes for 4,541 yards (including a trio of 1,000-yard seasons). Jones, who Riley coached for the first two years of his career, went on to break Hardy's mark with 399 career receptions.

East Carolina quarterback Dominique Davis was the 2010 Conference USA Newcomer of the Year and set school records for career completions and TD passes. He completed an NCAA record 36 consecutive passes in 2011. He was succeeded by Shane Carden, who broke many of Davis' record. Carden set ECU season marks for passing yards (4,736 in 2014) and completion percentage (.705 in 2013) and was the Conference USA MVP in 2013 followed by the American Conference's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014.

Riley was on the football and track teams at Muleshoe (Tex.) High, a West Texas town of 5,000. He was a walk-on quarterback at Texas Tech in the spring and summer of 2003 before starting his coaching career as a student assistant there under head coach Mike Leach for three seasons (2003-05), working with the offense.

He became an offensive graduate assistant at Texas Tech in 2006, then joined the Red Raiders' fulltime staff as the wide receivers coach in 2007 and the inside wide receivers coach in 2008 and 2009. In 2009, he called plays as the interim offensive coordinator in the Alamo Bowl, producing 579 yards of offense. His wide receiver Michael Crabtree won the 2007 Biletnikoff Award while establishing Big 12 and NCAA freshman records with 134 receptions for 1,962 yards, while fellow wideout Danny Amendola also had a 100-catch, 1,000-yard season in 2007. The Red Raiders played in a bowl in each of his seven seasons and Tech quarterbacks won NCAA passing titles in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2007.

Riley received his bachelor's degree in exercise and sports science from Texas Tech in 2006.

He was born on Sept. 5, 1983, in Lubbock, Tex. He and his wife, Caitlin, have two daughters, Sloan and Stella. His younger brother, Garrett, is the offensive coordinator at TCU after previously coaching at SMU, Appalachian State, Kansas, East Carolina and Augustana College and playing quarterback at Texas Tech and Stephen F. Austin.

# ASSISTANT COACHES



**Dennis Simmons**

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**Assistant Head Coach /  
Outside Wide Receivers Coach /  
Offensive Passing Game Coord.**

*On the Field*



**Alex Grinch**

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**Defensive Coordinator /  
Safeties**

*On the Field*



**Josh Henson**

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**Offensive Coordinator /  
Offensive Line**

*On the Field*



**Brian Odom**

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**Inside Linebackers /  
Associate Head Coach for Defense**

*In the Booth*



**Kiel McDonald**

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**Running Backs**

*On the Field*



**Roy Manning**

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**Outside Linebackers /  
Nickels /  
Assistant Head Coach for Defense**

*On the Field*



**Zach Hanson**

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**Tight Ends**

*On the Field*



**Donte Williams**

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**Defensive Backs /  
Defensive Passing Game Coord.**

*On the Field*



**Luke Huard**

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**Inside Wide Receivers**

*In the Booth*



**Shaun Nua**

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**Defensive Line**

*On the Field*

## 2022 USC ROSTER - ALPHABETICAL

NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTHDAY	CL.(ATH/AC)	EXP.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/COLLEGE)
3	ADDISON, Jordan	WR	6-0	175	1/27/02	Jr./Jr.	TR	Frederick, MD (Tuscarora/ Pittsburgh)
29	ALFORD, Xavion	DB	6-0	190	12/20/01	So.*/Jr.	1V	Pearland, TX (Shadow Creek/Texas)
25	ALLEN, Briton	DB	6-0	190	5/20/00	Jr.*/Jr.	2V	Orlando, FL (IMG Academy)
93	ASTANI, Sinjun	DL	6-4	260	5/13/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Malibu, CA (Loyola/San Jose State)
22	BARLOW, Darwin	RB	5-11	215	7/18/01	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Newton, TX (Newton/TCU)
97	BARQUET JR., Earl	DL	6-3	280	1/25/00	Jr.*/Jr.	TR	Marrero, LA (John Ehret/TCU)
15	BEAVERS JR., Anthony	DB	6-1	200	9/24/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Baldwin Hills, CA (St. Bernard)
79	BENTON, De'jon	DL	6-2	270	2/21/01	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Pittsburg, CA (Pittsburg)
6	BLACKMON, Mekhi	DB	6-0	175	3/18/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	East Palo Alto, CA (Menlo-Atherton/ College of San Mateo/Colorado)
8	BRANCH, Zion	DB	6-1	200	10/20/02	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
16	BROWN, Prophet	DB	6-0	190	2/3/03	Fr.*/So.	1V	Sacramento, CA (Monterey Trail)
14	BROWN, Raleek	RB	5-8	185	8/01/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
1	BRYANT JR., Gary	WR	5-11	180	11/19/00	Jr./Jr.	2V	Riverside, CA (Centennial)
61	BRYSON, Joe	OL	6-8	300	2/9/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Castle Pines, CO (Rock Canyon/Colorado Mesa)
7	BULLOCK, Calen	DB	6-3	180	4/30/03	So./So.	1V	Pasadena, CA (John Muir)
0	BYNUM, Terrell	WR	6-1	190	8/3/98	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco/Washington)
51	BYRD, Solomon	DL	6-4	250	12/1/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Palmdale, CA (Knight/Wyoming)
39	CASASANTE, Jac	SNP	6-0	220	2/6/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Altadena, CA (Loyola)
34	COLOMBO, Matt	RB	5-11	200	11/3/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	El Segundo, CA (St. John Bosco)
14	COVINGTON, Jacobe	DB	6-2	195	9/13/01	So.*/Jr.	TR	Chandler, AZ (Saguaro/ Washington)
17	CROOM, Micah	DB	6-1	215	11/17/97	Sr.*/Gr.	2V	Cerritos, CA (La Mirada/Dartmouth)
9	DAVIS, Raesjon	ILB	6-1	210	4/11/02	So./So.	1V	Norco, CA (Mater Dei)
57	DEDICH, Justin	OL	6-2	305	4/21/00	Sr.*/Gr.	3V	Temecula, CA (Chaparral)
56	DEWERK, Andres	OL	6-7	310	2/18/02	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Jose, CA (Los Gatos)
26	DYE, Travis	RB	5-10	200	8/24/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Norco, CA (Norco/Oregon)
19	EPPS, Malcolm	TE	6-6	250	1/13/00	Sr.*/Gr.	1V	Houston, TX (DeKaney/Texas)
83	FALO, Josh	TE	6-6	255	8/10/99	Sr.*/Sr.	4V	Sacramento, CA (Inderkum)
99	FIGUEROA, Nick	DL	6-5	275	8/1/99	Sr.*/Gr.	3V	San Bernardino, CA (Cajon/Cal Poly/Riverside CC)
74	FORD, Courtland	OL	6-6	305	9/6/01	So.*/Jr.	2V	Cedar Hill, TX (Cedar Hill)
81	FORD, Kyle	WR	6-3	220	1/20/01	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Corona, CA (Orange Lutheran)
0	FOREMAN, Korey	RUSH	6-5	245	11/8/02	So./So.	1V	Corona, CA (Centennial)
18	GENTRY, Eric	ILB	6-6	200	5/20/03	So./So.	TR	Philadelphia, PA (Saints Neumann Goretti/ Arizona State)
10	GOFORTH, Ralen	ILB	6-2	225	11/2/00	Sr./Gr.	3V	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
28	GORDON, Xamarion	DB	6-2	200	2/3/03	Fr.*/So.	1V	Houston, TX (Warren)
15	HASAN, Mo	QB	6-3	200	4/17/98	Sr.*/Gr.	SQ	Miami, FL (Dillard/Syracuse/Coffeyville CC/ Vanderbilt)
70	HASKINS, Bobby	OL	6-7	295	11/13/98	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Fairfield, CT (Hun School/Virginia)
2	HEIGHT, Romello	RUSH	6-3	230	4/13/01	So.*/Jr.	TR	Dublin, GA (Dublin/Auburn)
10	HUDSON, Kyron	WR	6-2	210	5/16/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Duarte, CA (Mater Dei)
1	JACKSON, Domani	DB	6-1	190	11/27/02	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
80	JACKSON III, John	WR	6-1	215	8/23/99	Sr./Sr.	3V	Redondo Beach, CA (Serra)
23	JACKSON JR., Joshua	DB	6-2	195	7/9/01	So.*/Jr.	2V	Westminster, CA (Narbonne)
9	JACKSON III, Michael	WR	6-0	200	10/21/02	So./So.	1V	Las Vegas, NV (Desert Pines)
17	JENSEN, Jake	QB	6-2	210	2/25/01	So./So.	TR	Pleasant Grove, UT (Pleasant Grove/ BYU/Contra Costa JC)
48	JIMENEZ-FULTON, Daniel	DB	5-10	200	11/15/02	Fr.*/So.	--	Chandler, AZ (Chandler)
6	JONES, Austin	RB	5-10	195	2/7/01	Sr./Sr.	TR	Antioch, CA (Bishop O'Dowd/Stanford)
54	KATOA, Tayler	ILB	6-2	240	7/27/98	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Layton, UT (Layton)
53	LEE, Shane	ILB	6-0	245	12/12/00	Sr./Gr.	TR	Burtonsville, MD (St. FrancesAcademy/Alabama)
71	LOVELACE, Cooper	OL	6-5	320	12/20/00	Jr.*/Sr.	TR	Kansas City, KS (Shawnee Mission East/Butler CC)
46	LYNCH, Denis	PK	5-8	185	6/26/03	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Newbury Park, CA (Newbury Park)
41	MADDEN, Garrison	ILB	6-2	200	12/11/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Hampton, GA (Dutchtown)
64	MAGED, AJ	OL	6-5	310	11/10/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Mesa, AZ (Red Mountain)
89	MAHONEY, Sean	TE	6-6	245	9/12/00	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Los Altos Hills, CA (Archbishop Mitty)
57	MARCHETTI, Roman	ILB	6-2	210	12/22/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Foothill)
35	McALLISTER, Michael	P	6-2	215	3/3/02	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Carlsbad, CA (La Costa Canyon)
21	McCUTCHIN, Latrell	DB	6-1	185	11/15/02	So./So.	TR	Austin, TX (LBJ Early College/Oklahoma)
87	McREE, Lake	TE	6-5	230	9/4/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Austin, TX (Lake Travis)
48	MEUNIER, Daniel	SNP	5-10	240	12/21/00	Jr./Jr.	TR	Lynwood, CA (Bishop Mora Salesian/ El Camino CC)



NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTHDAY	Cl.(ATH/AC)	EXP.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/COLLEGE)
78	MILEK, Andrew	OL	6-5	300	2/2/01	So.*/Jr.	2V	Chandler, AZ (Brophy Prep)
90	MOBLEY, Colin	DL	6-4	290	10/7/03	Fr.*/So.	1V	Washington, D.C. (DeMatha Catholic)
79	MONHEIM, Jonah	OL	6-5	295	6/7/02	So.*/Jr.	2V	Moorpark, CA (Moorpark)
35	MOORE, Clyde	ILB	6-0	220	10/13/99	Jr.*/Gr.	2V	Newport Beach, CA (Corona del Mar/Colorado)
7	MOSS, Miller	QB	6-2	210	3/19/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Los Angeles, CA (Bishop Alemany)
76	MURPHY, Mason	OL	6-6	300	6/21/03	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Riverside, CA (JSerra Catholic)
62	NEILON, Brett	OL	6-2	295	7/7/98	Sr.*/Gr.	4V	Rancho Santa Margarita, CA (Santa Margarita Catholic)
44	NOMURA, Tuasivi	ILB	6-1	230	1/23/01	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Corona, CA (Centennial)
67	O'CONNOR, Kilian	OL	6-2	285	5/6/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Ladera Ranch, CA (Santa Margarita Catholic)
13	OTEY, Adonis	DB	6-1	185	3/12/01	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Columbia, TN (Blackman)
41	OUTLAW, Brandon	RB	5-11	175	1/2/99	Sr.*/Gr.	SQ	Moorestown, NJ (Moorestown /Virginia)
82	OVERN, Austin	WR	6-0	170	5/10/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Foothill)
29	PATTERSON, Keegan	QB	6-0	180	11/14/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Longmont, CO (Longmont)
94	PEPE, Kobe	DL	6-2	320	3/31/01	So.*/Jr.	1V	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
91	PILI, Brandon	DL	6-3	345	4/2/99	Sr.*/Gr.	4V	Anchorage, AK (Westview (OR))
39	POMERANTZ, Garrett	RUSH	6-4	210	10/19/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
66	QUINONES, Gino	OL	6-4	285	4/5/00	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Ewa Beach, HI (Saint Louis)
85	RAE, Ethan	TE	6-3	235	7/12/00	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Anaheim Hills, CA (Orange Lutheran)
2	RICE, Brenden	WR	6-3	205	3/18/02	Jr./Jr.	TR	Chandler, AZ (Hamilton/Colorado)
77	RODRIGUEZ, Jason	OL	6-5	310	3/9/01	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Oak Hills, CA (Oak Hills)
36	ROSE, Will	P	6-2	190	4/30/01	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
26	ROSS, Fabian	DB	6-0	185	5/5/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
28	ROY, Gage	QB	6-2	190	11/7/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Dallas, TX (Jesuit Dallas)
42	RYAN, Danny	WR	6-2	180	10/22/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Larkspur, CA (St. Ignatius)
77	SEKONA, Jamar	DL	6-2	295	4/8/02	So.*/Jr.	2V	Fairfax, CA (Marin Catholic)
40	SHAMBLIN, Ty	WR	5-11	190	12/16/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Carpinteria, CA (Oaks Christian)
27	SHAW, Bryson	DB	6-0	195	3/29/00	Jr.*/Sr.	TR	Eldersburg, MD (Bullis School/Ohio State)
24	SIMON, Julien	ILB	6-1	230	1/22/03	Fr.*/So.	1V	Tacoma, WA (Lincoln)
40	SIMPSON, L	DB	6-0	200	8/4/00	So.*/Jr.	1V	Chatsworth, CA (Sierra Canyon/ Loyola Marymount)
42	SLEEP-DALTON, Aadyne	P	6-1	190	6/19/98	Jr./Jr.	TR	Geelong, Australia
19	SMITH, Jaylin	DB	5-11	180	11/5/03	So./So.	1V	Palmdale, CA (Bishop Alemany)
38	STADTHAUS, Alex	PK	6-2	200	12/13/99	Sr.*/Gr.	3V	Austin, TX (Vandergrift)
73	STEPHEN, Caadyne	OL	6-5	310	10/23/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Camas, WA (Camas)
34	TABARACCI, Carson	ILB	6-2	230	10/16/03	Fr./Fr.	TR	Park City, UT (Park City/Utah)
31	TALENI, Tyrone	DL	6-2	280	6/10/96	Sr./Sr.	TR	Savai'i, Western Samoa (Vaiola College/ Mt. San Antonio JC/Kansas State)
47	TA'UFO'OU, Stanley	DL	6-2	270	1/30/00	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Simi Valley, CA (Grace Brethren)
37	THOMPSON, Devan	RUSH	6-5	230	2/11/04	Fr./Fr.	--	Stockton, CA (Edison)
30	THOMPSON JR., Chris	ILB	6-1	215	9/9/01	Jr./Jr.	1V	Duncanville, TX (Duncanville/Auburn)
49	TUIPULOTU, Tuli	DL	6-4	290	9/3/02	Jr./Jr.	2V	Hawthorne, CA (Lawndale)
58	TULIAUPUPU, Solomon	RUSH	6-3	240	3/20/00	Sr.*/Gr.	SQ	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
72	VORHEES, Andrew	OL	6-6	325	1/21/99	Sr.*/Gr.	4V	Kingsburg, CA (Kingsburg)
31	WARD, Isaac	QB	5-10	185	12/6/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Athens, GA (Clarke Central)
16	WASHINGTON, Tahj	WR	5-11	175	5/16/01	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Marshall, TX (Marshall/Memphis)
53	WENETA, Nathan	SNP	6-2	215	6/28/00	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Diego, CA (Cathedral Catholic/Purdue)
98	WHITE, Garth	PK-P	6-4	200	8/18/00	So./So.	TR	Westlake, CA (Oaks Christian/Ventura JC)
13	WILLIAMS, Caleb	QB	6-1	215	11/18/01	So./So.	TR	Washington, D.C. (Gonzaga College/Oklahoma)
8	WILLIAMS, CJ	WR	6-2	190	10/23/02	Fr./Fr.	HS	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
4	WILLIAMS, Mario	WR	5-9	185	1/21/03	So./So.	TR	Tampa, Fla. (Plant City/Oklahoma)
4	WILLIAMS, Max	DB	5-9	180	8/28/00	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Carson, CA (Serra)
18	WOLFE, Jude	TE	6-6	245	2/11/01	Jr.*/Gr.	3V	Laguna Hills, CA (St. John Bosco)
22	WRIGHT, Ceyair	DB	6-1	180	12/19/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Los Angeles, CA (Loyola)
44	ZAMORA, Josiah	WR	5-10	185	11/21/01	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Monrovia, CA (Mater Dei)
49	ZANE, Grant	WR	6-3	190	9/30/02	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Palos Verdes Estates, CA (Peninsula)

\*Used up redshirt year

**HEAD COACH:** Lincoln RILEY (Texas Tech, 2006), First Year

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** Alex GRINCH, Defensive Coordinator (Missouri, 2004); Zach HANSON, Tight Ends (Kansas State, 2010); Josh HENSON, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line (Oklahoma State, 1998); Luke HUARD, Inside Wide Receivers Coach (North Carolina, 2002); Roy MANNING, Outside Linebackers/Nickels/Assistant Head Coach for Defense (Michigan, 2004); Kiel McDONALD, Running Backs (Sacramento State, 2006); Shaun NUA, Defensive Line (BYU, 2005); Brian ODOM, Inside Linebackers/Associate Head Coach for Defense (Southeastern Oklahoma State, 2004); Dennis SIMMONS, Assistant Head Coach/Outside Wide Receivers/Offensive Passing Game Coordinator (BYU, 1996); Donte WILLIAMS, Defensive Backs/Defensive Passing Game Coordinator (Idaho State, 2006)

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## 2022 USC ROSTER - NUMERICAL

NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTHDAY	CL.(ATH/AC)	EXP.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/COLLEGE)
0	BYNUM, Terrell	WR	6-1	190	8/3/98	Sr./Gr.	TR	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco/Washington)
0	FOREMAN, Corey	RUSH	6-5	245	11/8/02	So./So.	1V	Corona, CA (Centennial)
1	BRYANT JR., Gary	WR	5-11	180	11/19/00	Jr./Jr.	2V	Riverside, CA (Centennial)
1	JACKSON, Domani	DB	6-1	190	11/27/02	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
2	HEIGHT, Romello	RUSH	6-3	230	4/13/01	So./Jr.	TR	Dublin, GA (Dublin/Auburn)
2	RICE, Brenden	WR	6-3	205	3/18/02	Jr./Jr.	TR	Chandler, AZ (Hamilton/Colorado)
3	ADDISON, Jordan	WR	6-0	175	1/27/02	Jr./Jr.	TR	Frederick, MD (Tuscarora/Pittsburgh)
4	WILLIAMS, Mario	WR	5-9	185	1/21/03	So./So.	TR	Tampa, FL (Plant City/Oklahoma)
4	WILLIAMS, Max	DB	5-9	180	8/28/00	Jr./Sr.	2V	Carson, CA (Serra)
6	BLACKMON, Mekhi	DB	6-0	175	3/18/99	Sr./Gr.	TR	East Palo Alto, CA (Menlo-Atherton/ College of San Mateo/Colorado)
6	JONES, Austin	RB	5-10	195	2/7/01	Sr./Sr.	TR	Antioch, CA (Bishop O'Dowd/Stanford)
7	MOSS, Miller	QB	6-2	210	3/19/02	Fr./So.	1V	Los Angeles, CA (Bishop Alemany)
7	BULLOCK, Calen	DB	6-3	180	4/30/03	So./So.	1V	Pasadena, CA (John Muir)
8	WILLIAMS, CJ	WR	6-2	190	10/23/02	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
8	BRANCH, Zion	DB	6-1	200	10/20/02	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
9	JACKSON III, Michael	WR	6-0	200	10/21/02	So./So.	1V	Las Vegas, NV (Desert Pines)
9	DAVIS, Raesjon	ILB	6-1	210	4/11/02	So./So.	1V	Norco, CA (Mater Dei)
10	GOFORTH, Ralen	ILB	6-2	225	11/2/00	Sr./Sr.	3V	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
10	HUDSON, Kyron	WR	6-2	210	5/16/02	Fr./So.	1V	Duarte, CA (Mater Dei)
13	OTEY, Adonis	DB	6-1	185	3/12/01	Jr./Sr.	2V	Columbia, TN (Blackman)
13	WILLIAMS, Caleb	QB	6-1	215	11/18/01	So./So.	TR	Washington, D.C. (Gonzaga College/Oklahoma)
14	BROWN, Raleek	RB	5-8	185	8/01/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
14	COVINGTON, Jacobe	DB	6-2	195	9/13/01	So./Jr.	TR	Chandler, AZ (Saguaro/Washington)
15	HASAN, Mo	QB	6-3	200	4/17/98	Sr./Gr.	SQ	Miami, FL (Dillard/Syracuse/Coffeyville CC/ Vanderbilt)
15	BEAVERS JR., Anthony	DB	6-1	200	9/24/02	Fr./So.	1V	Baldwin Hills, CA (St. Bernard)
16	BROWN, Prophet	DB	6-0	190	2/3/03	Fr./So.	1V	Sacramento, CA (Monterey Trail)
16	WASHINGTON, Tahj	WR	5-11	175	5/16/01	Jr./Sr.	1V	Marshall, TX (Marshall/Memphis)
17	JENSEN, Jake	QB	6-2	210	2/25/01	So./So.	TR	Pleasant Grove, UT (Pleasant Grove/ BYU/Contra Costa JC)
17	CROOM, Micah	DB	6-1	215	11/17/97	Sr./Gr.	2V	Cerritos, CA (La Mirada/Dartmouth)
18	WOLFE, Jude	TE	6-6	245	2/11/01	Jr./Sr.	3V	Laguna Hills, CA (St. John Bosco)
18	GENTRY, Eric	ILB	6-6	200	5/20/03	So./So.	TR	Philadelphia, PA (Saints Neumann Goretti/ Arizona State)
19	EPPS, Malcolm	TE	6-6	250	1/13/00	Sr./Gr.	1V	Houston, TX (DeKaney/Texas)
19	SMITH, Jaylin	DB	5-11	180	11/5/03	So./So.	1V	Palmdale, CA (Bishop Alemany)
21	McCUTCHEIN, Latrell	DB	6-1	185	11/15/02	So./So.	TR	Austin, TX (LBJ Early College/Oklahoma)
22	BARLOW, Darwin	RB	5-11	215	7/18/01	Jr./Jr.	1V	Newton, TX (Newton/TCU)
22	WRIGHT, Ceyair	DB	6-1	180	12/19/02	Fr./So.	1V	Los Angeles, CA (Loyola)
23	JACKSON JR., Joshua	DB	6-2	195	7/9/01	So./Jr.	2V	Westminster, CA (Narbonne)
24	SIMON, Julien	ILB	6-1	230	1/22/03	Fr./So.	1V	Tacoma, WA (Lincoln)
25	ALLEN, Briton	DB	6-0	190	5/20/00	Jr./Jr.	2V	Orlando, FL (IMG Academy)
26	DYE, Travis	RB	5-10	200	8/24/99	Sr./Gr.	TR	Norco, CA (Norco/Oregon)
26	ROSS, Fabian	DB	6-0	185	5/5/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
27	SHAW, Bryson	DB	6-0	195	3/29/00	Jr./Sr.	TR	Eldersburg, MD (Bullis School/Ohio State)
28	GORDON, Xamarion	DB	6-2	200	2/3/03	Fr./So.	1V	Houston, TX (Warren)
28	ROY, Gage	QB	6-2	190	11/7/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Dallas, TX (Jesuit Dallas)
29	ALFORD, Xavion	DB	6-0	190	12/20/01	So./So.	1V	Pearland, TX (Shadow Creek/Texas)
29	PATTERSON, Keegan	QB	6-0	180	11/14/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Longmont, CO (Longmont)
30	THOMPSON JR., Chris	ILB	6-1	215	9/9/01	Jr./Jr.	1V	Duncanville, TX (Duncanville/Auburn)
31	TALENI, Tyrone	DL	6-2	280	6/10/96	Sr./Sr.	TR	Savai'i, Western Samoa (Vaiola College/ Mt. San Antonio JC/Kansas State)
31	WARD, Isaac	QB	5-10	185	12/6/01	So./Jr.	SQ	Athens, GA (Clarke Central)
34	COLOMBO, Matt	RB	5-11	200	11/3/01	So./So.	SQ	El Segundo, CA (St. John Bosco)
34	TABARACCI, Carson	ILB	6-2	230	10/16/03	Fr./Fr.	TR	Park City, UT (Park City/Utah)
35	McALLISTER, Michael	P	6-2	215	3/3/02	So./Jr.	SQ	Carlsbad, CA (La Costa Canyon)
35	MOORE, Clyde	ILB	6-0	220	10/13/99	Jr./Sr.	2V	Newport Beach, CA (Corona del Mar/Colorado)
36	ROSE, Will	P	6-2	190	4/30/01	Jr./Sr.	SQ	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
37	THOMPSON, Devan	RUSH	6-5	230	2/11/04	Fr./Fr.	--	Stockton, CA (Edison)
38	STADTHAUS, Alex	PK	6-2	200	12/13/99	Sr./Sr.	3V	Austin, TX (Vandergrift)
39	CASASANTE, Jac	SNP	6-0	220	2/6/00	Sr./Sr.	SQ	Altadena, CA (Loyola)
39	POMERANTZ, Garrett	RUSH	6-4	210	10/19/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
40	SHAMBLIN, Ty	WR	5-11	190	12/16/01	So./Jr.	SQ	Carpinteria, CA (Oaks Christian)



NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTHDAY	CL.(ATH/AC)	EXP.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/ COLLEGE)
40	SIMPSON, L	DB	6-0	200	8/4/00	So.*/Jr.	1V	Chatsworth, CA (Sierra Canyon/ Loyola Marymount)
41	MADDEN, Garrison	ILB	6-2	200	12/11/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Hampton, GA (Dutchtown)
41	OUTLAW, Brandon	RB	5-11	175	1/2/99	Sr.*/Gr.	SQ	Moorestown, NJ (Moorestown /Virginia)
42	RYAN, Danny	WR	6-2	180	10/22/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Larkspur, CA (St. Ignatius)
42	SLEEP-DALTON, Aadyne	P	6-1	190	6/19/98	Jr./Jr.	TR	Geelong, Australia
44	NOMURA, Tuasivi	ILB	6-1	230	1/23/01	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Corona, CA (Centennial)
44	ZAMORA, Josiah	WR	5-10	185	11/21/01	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Monrovia, CA (Mater Dei)
46	LYNCH, Denis	PK	5-8	185	6/26/03	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Newbury Park, CA (Newbury Park)
47	TA'UFO'OU, Stanley	DL	6-2	270	1/30/00	Jr.*/Sr.	3V	Simi Valley, CA (Grace Brethren)
48	JIMENEZ-FULTON, Daniel	DB	5-10	200	11/15/02	Fr.*/So.	--	Chandler, AZ (Chandler)
48	MEUNIER, Daniel	SNP	5-10	240	12/21/00	Jr./Jr.	TR	Lynwood, CA (Bishop Mora Salesian/ El Camino CC)
49	TUIPULOTU, Tuli	DL	6-4	290	9/3/02	Jr./Jr.	2V	Hawthorne, CA (Lawndale)
49	ZANE, Grant	WR	6-3	190	9/30/02	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Palos Verdes Estates, Calif. (Peninsula)
51	BYRD, Solomon	DL	6-4	250	12/1/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Palmdale, CA (Knight/Wyoming)
53	LEE, Shane	ILB	6-0	245	12/12/00	Sr./Gr.	TR	Burtonsville, MD (St. Frances Academy/Alabama)
53	WENETA, Nathan	SNP	6-2	215	6/28/00	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Diego, CA (Cathedral Catholic/Purdue)
54	KATO, Taylor	ILB	6-2	240	7/27/98	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Layton, UT (Layton)
56	DEWERK, Andres	OL	6-7	310	2/18/02	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Jose, CA (Los Gatos)
57	DEDICH, Justin	OL	6-2	305	4/21/00	Sr.*/Gr.	3V	Temecula, CA (Chaparral)
57	MARCHETTI, Roman	ILB	6-2	210	12/22/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Foothill)
58	TULIAUPUPU, Solomon	RUSH	6-3	240	3/20/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Santa Ana, CA (Mater Dei)
61	BRYSON, Joe	OL	6-8	300	2/9/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Castle Pines, CO (Rock Canyon/Colorado Mesa)
62	NEILON, Brett	OL	6-2	295	7/7/98	Sr.*/Gr.	4V	Rancho Santa Margarita, CA (Santa Margarita Catholic)
64	MAGED, AJ	OL	6-5	310	11/10/00	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	Mesa, AZ (Red Mountain)
66	QUINONES, Gino	OL	6-4	285	4/5/00	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Ewa Beach, HI (Saint Louis)
67	O'CONNOR, Kilian	OL	6-2	285	5/6/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Ladera Ranch, CA (Santa Margarita Catholic)
70	HASKINS, Bobby	OL	6-7	295	11/13/98	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Fairfield, CT (Hun School/Virginia)
71	LOVELACE, Cooper	OL	6-5	320	12/20/00	Jr.*/Sr.	TR	Kansas City, KA (Shawnee Mission East/Butler CC)
72	VORHEES, Andrew	OL	6-6	325	1/21/99	Sr.*/Gr.	4V	Kingsburg, CA (Kingsburg)
73	STEPHEN, Caadyne	OL	6-5	310	10/23/01	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Camas, WA (Camas)
74	FORD, Courtland	OL	6-6	305	9/6/01	So.*/Jr.	2V	Cedar Hill, TX (Cedar Hill)
76	MURPHY, Mason	OL	6-6	300	6/21/03	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Riverside, CA (JSerra Catholic)
77	RODRIGUEZ, Jason	OL	6-5	310	3/9/01	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Oak Hills, CA (Oak Hills)
77	SEKONA, Jamar	DL	6-2	295	4/8/02	So.*/Jr.	2V	Fairfax, CA (Marin Catholic)
78	MILEK, Andrew	OL	6-5	300	2/2/01	So.*/Jr.	2V	Chandler, AZ (Brophy Prep)
79	BENTON, De'jon	DL	6-2	270	2/21/01	Jr.*/Jr.	3V	Pittsburg, CA (Pittsburg)
79	MONHEIM, Jonah	OL	6-5	295	6/7/02	So.*/Jr.	2V	Moorpark, CA (Moorpark)
80	JACKSON III, John	WR	6-1	215	8/23/99	Sr./Sr.	3V	Redondo Beach, CA (Serra)
81	FORD, Kyle	WR	6-3	220	1/20/01	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Corona, CA (Orange Lutheran)
82	OVERN, Austin	WR	6-0	170	5/10/03	Fr./Fr.	--	Santa Ana, CA (Foothill)
83	FALO, Josh	TE	6-6	255	8/10/99	Sr.*/Sr.	4V	Sacramento, CA (Inderkum)
85	RAE, Ethan	TE	6-3	235	7/12/00	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Anaheim Hills, CA (Orange Lutheran)
87	McREE, Lake	TE	6-5	230	9/4/02	Fr.*/So.	1V	Austin, TX (Lake Travis)
89	MAHONEY, Sean	TE	6-6	245	9/12/00	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Los Altos Hills, CA (Archbishop Mitty)
90	MOBLEY, Colin	DL	6-4	290	10/7/03	Fr.*/So.	1V	Washington, D.C. (DeMatha Catholic)
91	PILI, Brandon	DL	6-3	345	4/2/99	Sr.*/Sr.	4V	Anchorage, AK (Westview (OR))
93	ASTANI, Sinjun	DL	6-4	260	5/13/99	Sr.*/Gr.	TR	Malibu, CA (Loyola/San Jose State)
94	PEPE, Kobe	DL	6-2	320	3/31/01	So.*/Jr.	1V	Long Beach, CA (St. John Bosco)
97	BARQUET JR., Earl	DL	6-3	280	1/25/00	Jr.*/Jr.	TR	Marrero, LA (John Ehret/TCU)
98	WHITE, Garth	PK-P	6-4	200	8/18/00	So.*/So.	TR	Westlake, CA (Oaks Christian/Ventura JC)
99	FIGUEROA, Nick	DL	6-5	275	8/1/99	Sr.*/Gr.	3V	San Bernardino, CA (Cajon/Cal Poly/Riverside CC)

\*Used up redshirt year

**HEAD COACH:** Lincoln RILEY (Texas Tech, 2006), First Year

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** Alex GRINCH, Defensive Coordinator (Missouri, 2004); Zach HANSON, Tight Ends (Kansas State, 2010); Josh HENSON, Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line (Oklahoma State, 1998); Luke HUARD, Inside Wide Receivers Coach (North Carolina, 2002); Roy MANNING, Outside Linebackers/Nickels/Assistant Head Coach for Defense (Michigan, 2004); Kiel McDONALD, Running Backs (Sacramento State, 2006); Shaun NUA, Defensive Line (BYU, 2005); Brian ODOM, Inside Linebackers/Associate Head Coach for Defense (Southeastern Oklahoma State, 2004); Dennis SIMMONS, Assistant Head Coach/Outside Wide Receivers/Offensive Passing Game Coordinator (BYU, 1996); Donte WILLIAMS, Defensive Backs/Defensive Passing Game Coordinator (Idaho State, 2006)

**DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL SPORTS PERFORMANCE:** Bennie WYLIE (Sam Houston State, 1999)

# 2022 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

(USC game highs in bold face)

*Name*            *Rice*            *Stanford*   *Fres. St.*   *Ore. St.*   *Ariz. St.*   *Wash. St.*   *Utah*            *Arizona*   *Cal*            *Colorado*   *UCLA*   *ND*

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### *Rushing: TCB-NET-TD*

C. Williams    **6-68-0**  
Jones            4-48-2  
Brown           6-36-1  
Dye              5-20-0  
Barlow          5-16-1  
Mar. Williams  1-10-0  
Moss            1-10-0

### *Passing: PA-PC-INT-YDS-TD*

C. Williams    **22-19-0-249-2**

### *Receiving: NO-YDS-TD*

Addison       **5-54-2**  
Washington    4-65-0  
Hudson         3-34-0  
Dye              3-21-0  
Mar. Williams  2-43-0  
Brown          2-40-0  
Jones           1-21-0  
Ford             1-20-0  
CJ Williams    1-11-0  
McRee          1-9-0  
Bryant Jr.      1-7-0  
Rice             1-5-0

### *Punting: NO-YDS-LONG*

Sleep-Dalton  1-26-26

### *Punt Returns: NO-YDS-LONG*

Bryant Jr.      2-4-5

### *Kickoff Returns: NO-YDS-LONG*

Rice            1-16-16

### *Interceptions: NO-YDS-TD*

Bullock        1-93-1  
Lee              1-40-1  
Goforth        1-31-1  
Gordon         1-0-0



<i>Name</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Stanford</i>	<i>Fres. St.</i>	<i>Ore. St.</i>	<i>Ariz. St.</i>	<i>Wash. St.</i>	<i>Utah</i>	<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Cal</i>	<i>Colorado</i>	<i>UCLA</i>	<i>ND</i>
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**Defensive Statistics: TAC-FOR LOSS-PASS DEF-FUM REC**

Lee	8-2-1-0
Gentry	7-0.5-0-0
Bullock	6-0-0-0
Max Williams	5-0-0-0
Benton	5-0.5-0-0
Blackmon	4-0-2-0
Nomura	3-0.5-0-0
Covington	2-0-0-0
Goforth	2-0-0-0
Sekona	2-1-0-0
Taleni	2-2-0-0
Wright	2-0-0-0
Pili	2-0-0-0
Gordon	1-0-0-0
McCutchin	1-1-0-0
Croom	1-0-0-0
Tuipulotu	1-0-0-0
Figueroa	1-0-0-0
Smith	1-0-0-0
Foreman	1-0-0-0
Tuliaupupu	1-0.5-0-0

**USC TEAM STATISTICS**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Stanford</i>	<i>Fres. St.</i>	<i>Ore. St.</i>	<i>Ariz. St.</i>	<i>Wash. St.</i>	<i>Utah</i>	<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Cal</i>	<i>Colorado</i>	<i>UCLA</i>	<i>ND</i>
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First Downs	27
Rush	11
Pass	14
Penalty	2
Rush Attempts	28
Yds Gain	211
Yds Lost	3
Net Yards	208
Net Yds Pass	330
Pass Att	30
Pass Com	25
Had Int	0
Tot Off Plays	58
Tot Net Yards	538
Avg/Play	9.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0
Penalties-Yds	6-60
Punts-Yds	1-26
Avg/Punt	26.0
Punt Ret-Yds	2-4
KO Ret-Yds	1-16
Int-Yards	4-164
Fum Ret-Yds	0-0
Poss Time	27:08
3rd Down Con	5-7
4th Down Con	0-0
Sacks By-Yds	4-20





## Game-By-Game Starters

<i>Name</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Stanford</i>	<i>Fres. St.</i>	<i>Ore. St.</i>	<i>Ariz. St.</i>	<i>Wash. St.</i>	<i>Utah</i>	<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Cal</i>	<i>Colorado</i>	<i>UCLA</i>	<i>ND</i>
<b>Offense</b>												
QB	C. Williams											
WR	Wash'ton											
WR	Rice											
LT	C. Ford											
LG	Vorhees											
C	Neilon											
RG	Dedich											
RT	Monheim											
WR	M. Williams											
WR	Addison											
RB	Dye											
<b>Defense</b>												
DB	Smith											
DE	Height											
DB	Wright											
DB	M. Williams											
DL	Ta'ufo'ou											
DL	Tuipulotu											
LB	Lee											
DB	Blackmon											
DB	Bullock											
DB	Benton											
LB	Gentry											

## OPPONENT TEAM STATISTICS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Stanford</i>	<i>Fres. St.</i>	<i>Ore. St.</i>	<i>Ariz. St.</i>	<i>Wash. St.</i>	<i>Utah</i>	<i>Arizona</i>	<i>Cal</i>	<i>Colorado</i>	<i>UCLA</i>	<i>ND</i>
First Downs	14											
Rush	6											
Pass	7											
Penalty	1											
Rush Attempts	34											
Yds Gain	170											
Yds Lost	24											
Net Yards	68											
Net Yds Pass	134											
Pass Att	28											
Pass Com	14											
Had Int	4											
Tot Off Plays	62											
Tot Net Yards	280											
Avg/Play	4.5											
Fumbles-Lost	0-0											
Penalties-Yds	4-55											
Punts-Yds	4-162											
Avg/Punt	40.5											
Punt Ret-Yds	0-0											
KO Ret-Yds	3-65											
Int-Yards	0-0											
Fum Ret-Yds	0-0											
Poss Time	32:52											
3rd Down Con	5-16											
4th Down Con	1-3											
Sacks By-Yds	1-3											

**GAME 1 – September 3, Los Angeles Coliseum**  
**USC 66, Rice 14**  
**Att: 60,113**

Rice	7	7	0	0	--	14
USC	7	24	28	7	--	66

**QB Caleb Williams** went 19-of-22 for 249 yards and 2 TDs to lead the Trojans to a 66-14 victory over the Rice Owls to usher in the Lincoln Riley Era on Labor Day Weekend in front of 60,113 fans in the Coliseum and a national Pac-12 Network audience.

It was USC's 15th consecutive season opening victory in the Coliseum. The 52-point margin of victory was USC's largest in any game since defeating San Jose State by 53 points on Sept. 5, 2009 in the season opener that season (56-3). USC's 66 points were the most its scored in a game since winning at Washington State 69-0 on Oct. 18, 2008. The last time USC scored 66 points or more in a home game was when it won 66-19 vs. UCLA on Dec. 3, 2005. The 66 points are the most scored by USC in a home opener since scoring 70 vs. Arkansas on Sept. 17, 2005 (second game of the season).

USC generated 538 yards of total offense with Williams at the helm. His 86.3 completion percentage was the best by a Trojan quarterback with a minimum of 20 attempts since Matt Barkley had a 95.0 completion percentage vs. Colorado on Oct. 20, 2012. He also led the team in rushing with 68 yards on 6 carries. **RBs Austin Jones** (48 yards on 4 carries), **Raleek Brown** (36 yards on 6 carries), **Travis Dye** (20 yards on 5 carries) and **Darwin Barlow** (16 yards on 5 carries) combined for 120 rushing yards. The offense converted 5-of-7 third down chances and had 37 first downs.

The Trojan defense lit up the Coliseum with 4 interceptions, 3 of which were returned for TDs. That tied the school single game record of three, which was also accomplished on Nov. 11, 1982 at Arizona. In the game at Arizona, one of the TDs was an intercepted fumble returned for a score which was categorized as an interception at that time (in 1982, you could not return a fumble unless it was in the air). USC's 3 interceptions returned for a touchdown also tied the Pac-12 record. USC's defense held Rice to 280 total yards. The Owls converted only 5-of-16 third downs and were penalized 4 times for 55 yards (USC was penalized 6 times for 60 yards).

After **WR Jordan Addison** quickly scored off a 5-yard pass from C. Williams, the Owls responded with a TD of their own from RB Ari Broussard at the end of the quarter. RB Jones scored off a 4-yard rush to kick off the second quarter, and RB Brown followed closely behind with the first TD of his career and stopped to flash the Heisman pose in the end zone for the Trojan fans. **DB Calen Bullock** kept the pressure on Rice as he intercepted a pass and ran it back 93 yards into the end zone to push USC ahead 28-7. The Owls responded when Broussard ran in his second TD of the day to keep Rice in the game. **PK Denis Lynch** closed out the half with a 25-yard field goal, the first of his career.

**ILB Shane Lee** opened the second half with another pick-six (40-yard interception return) and less than a minute later, fellow **ILB Ralen Goforth** also intercepted a pass and ran it back 31-yards to score. In the next series, the relentless Trojan defense once again picked off the Owls as **DB Xamarion Gordon** intercepted the fourth pass of the day. Both Addison and Jones each scored another TD in the third quarter, and RB Darwin Barlow capped off the game with a rushing TD of his own in the fourth.

Lee led the team with 8 tackles, while **ILB Eric Gentry** added 7 stops and Bullock tallied 6.

Rice QB Wiley Green went 8-of-13 with 1 interception, but left the game due to right arm injury. QB TJ McMahon then entered the game and went 6-of-15 with 3 interceptions.

This was just the fourth ever meeting of the two schools and USC improved its record against Rice to 3-0-1.

**SCORING**  
**First Quarter**

**USC -- Addison 5-yard pass from C. Williams (Lynch kick)**  
 Rice -- Broussard 1-yard rush (VanSickle kick)

**Second Quarter**

**USC -- Jones 4-yard rush (Lynch kick)**  
**USC -- Brown 14-yard rush (Lynch kick)**  
**USC -- Bullock 93-yard interception return (Lynch kick)**  
 Rice -- Broussard 2-yard rush (VanSickle kick)  
**USC -- Lynch 25-yard field goal**

**Third Quarter**

**USC -- Lee 40-yard interception return (Lynch kick)**  
**USC -- Goforth 31-yard interception return (Lynch kick)**  
**USC -- Addison 3-yard pass from C. Williams (Lynch kick)**  
**USC -- Jones 28-yard rush (Lynch kick)**

**Fourth Quarter**

**USC -- Barlow 2-yard rush (Lynch kick)**

USC	STATISTICS	RICE
27	First Downs	14
208	Net Yards Rushing	146
330	Net Yards Passing	134
30	Passes Attempted	28
25	Passes Completed	14
0	Had Intercepted	4
58	Total Plays	62
538	Total Yards	280
1/26.0	Punts/Avg	4/40.5
1/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
6/60	Penalties/Yards	4/55
27:08	Time of Possession	32:52

**TOP INDIVIDUALS**

**RUSHING** – Montgomery (Rice) 6-99; C. Williams (USC) 6-68; Jones (USC) 4-48; Brown (USC) 6-36; Dye (USC) 5-20

**PASSING** – C. Williams (USC) 19-22-249; McMahon (Rice) 6-15-65; Green (Rice) 8-13-69

**RECEIVING** – Addison (USC) 5-54; McCaffrey (Rice) 5-51; Washington (USC) 4-65; Esdale (Rice) 4-38; Hudson (USC) 3-34; Dye (USC) 3-21

